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## *Preface*

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"As dew to the blossom, and bud to the bee, as the scent to the rose, are these memories to me."—Welby. This might well express the sentiment of any member of our graduating class.

The four years which are spent in high school might seem almost futile to a graduating senior if his only remembrance of high school were his diploma. With this thought in mind the members of the staff have tried to present in this fifth volume of the Bee Tee Vie, a true and accurate picture of Bell Township High School life.

We have incorporated in this publication a brief history of the Bell Township Schools, a detailed history of the senior class and also each individual senior, a history of each under class and its progress, an account of the organizations and their developments, the activities of this particular school year, biographical sketches of each faculty member, and some interesting and amusing incidents in our school life.

In past years each Bee Tee Vie staff has tried to add something new to their own particular annual.

This year the members of the staff have tried to do this by making some radical changes in the layout of the book.

We have combined the write-ups of the various organizations, activities, and individuals in a continuous account written in a journalistic style and have used the pictures as illustrations.

In order to carry this idea further, the book is bound with a stiff-back cover in regulation book size.

Since the theme for the senior class night is "Youth Marches On," we have used small sketches and chapter headings to conform with that idea. The toy soldier in each sketch exemplifies the general idea of that particular chapter.

The staff members wish to acknowledge with gratitude the kindness of Miss Alice Fennell in permitting us to use material compiled by her father, the late Doctor W. L. Fennell; the aid of underclassmen in furnishing information concerning their class activities; the assistance of Doctor T. N. Murphy with his candid camera; and the cooperation of faculty members and students.

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To our friend and adviser,  
Miss Katherine C. Alcorn, who  
has faithfully given her time  
and advice to the staff.

## *Introduction*

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In 1800 when the settlers began to feel safe from Indian raids, they decided to build schools and churches. In some parts of Westmoreland County one building served both purposes.

The parents of this community, who desired their children to have an English education, agreed to construct a school building<sup>1</sup> on the Yockey farm about a mile south of where Perrysville now is.

This building was built on the same plan as most of the early settlers' houses, which were usually built of split logs and had shed roofs and ground floors.

These girls and boys of more than a decade ago sat upon puncheon<sup>2</sup> seats with their backs against the wall and wrote at rough board desks which were fitted against the wall. Openings which served as windows were covered with greased paper to admit some light and yet keep out the rain and snow. A fireplace at one end of the room was frequently large enough to admit a back log<sup>3</sup> five or six feet long.

The school sessions started at daylight in the morning and lasted until dark, making it necessary for the pupils to study at home by firelight or the dim light of a fat lamp or tallow candle.

The first school house<sup>4</sup> was probably the only one in the bounds of Bell Township until 1824, when the law provided for the election of three school directors with authority to lay out the township in school districts. Before Bell Township was separated from Washington, school houses were built at Shaffers', Perrysville, Bell Point, Dutch Flat, and Duffields'. In 1853 a school house was erected near Alcorns' Cross Roads, and in 1887 one in Salina.

All of these early buildings were log ones heated with coal stoves. Later buildings were constructed of hewn logs, had comb roofs of clapboards or shingles, and rough oaken board floors. They were heated by wood burning stoves, which were later replaced by eggshaped coal stoves.

Those students who wished to write sat on an oak board bench at a wide chestnut board desk, which extended around three sides of the room. At these the pupils laboriously copied the "copy" which the teacher gave them. Since the larger boys and girls were the only ones who took writing, the smaller ones sat on a bench, using the fronts of the writers desks for back rests and having no desks for themselves.

1. The building was on the plot which is now the St. James Cemetery, but neither the cemetery nor church were there then.

2. Puncheon-split logs.

3. Back log-a large log placed at the back of the fire place, against which the fire was laid.

4. On the Yockey farm, where the St. James Church stands.

5. Black ink was made from logwood or maple, red ink from poke berries.

6. Public Works Administration-a system of allotting government funds for the construction of public buildings.

The early school month was twenty-six days long, that meant having school every day except Sunday. By 1860 the school month had been shortened to twenty-two days, which included just every other Saturday. This was soon changed to the school month of twenty days as we have it now.

The Bible, "Pilgrim's Progress," "Robinson Crusoe," and other such books as were found in the homes were the only text books at first. Later the "United States Reader" and "Cobb's Speller" were used, and for an arithmetic, the "Western Calculator." As late as 1863 little geography or grammar was taught. In 1850 "McGuffey's Readers and Spellers" and "Ray's Arithmetics" came into use. Each pupil provided his own text books and the teacher was required to teach whatever the pupil brought, making many different classes necessary.

Penmanship was a highly respected art and remarkable results were achieved on foolscap paper with goose quill pens made by the teacher and homemade ink.<sup>5</sup> Sums were done on small slates with small pieces of soft slate gathered from the "run" or "crick."

When Bell Township became a separate township in 1853, Alcorns' School, mentioned before, was the first school built and took care of the immediate community and those who had

attended McDivitts; which was located near Beaver Run. About the same time Duffield's was moved near D. S. Carnahan's farm, and the Dutch Flat School was relocated near James Morgan's. The location of Shaffer's and the Bell Point School remained unchanged.

The buildings erected about 1858 were frame buildings heated with cast iron coal stoves. The cost of building these and furnishing them completely was approximately \$325.00.

Until 1887 Bell Township's school system was comprised of six schools. Then a sixth building was constructed at Salina by the Townsend Brother Contractors.

In 1900 the Dutch Flat School was rebuilt near Lucian Clawson's; Duffield's was abandoned and a new building was constructed near Albert Wolford's; and the location of the Bell Point School was changed.

When part of the Bell Point district was cut off from Bell Township and annexed to Washington Township, the Bell Point School was returned to its original site. At the same time the building at Wolford's was rebuilt as Wolwend's. This building was later moved to Salina. A second building was built at Bell Point in 1915.

A one room school was adequate at Salina until 1903, when the number of pupils required more space. As a solution to this

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problem the P. O. S. of A. Hall was rented for school use. In order to solve the problem permanently a four room building was built in 1905. Four more rooms were added to this twelve years later.

The first steps in establishing a high school curriculum were taken by Bella Glass Boden in 1908. This work was directed by Mrs. Boden herself as Supervising principal until 1911. During that time E. E. Shaulis and Eugene Piatt were high school principals.

In 1911 Salina High School, offering a two year course, was officially organized with E. B. Leaf, principal. From 1913 to 1916 E. H. Keibler and James L. Jones held the principalship.

A third year was added in 1917, when James Hughes was principal. R. G. Bortz, V. R. Peterson, and Charles Helman served in that capacity one term each with the same curriculum.

C. M. McNaughton came to Salina as high school principal in 1921 and held that position until 1929. During his stay the schools of the township were consolidated and a fourth year was added to the high school course, making it a standard fourth class high school. Mr. George Willard began his work as supervising principal, too, in 1921.

In order to take care of the number of students that were being brought in from the out-

lying schools the building was moved in from Wolwends and two other portable rooms were added. This situation caused the members of the school board, F. F. Weister, president; John McCreary, secretary; W. J. Whitesell, treasurer; D. P. Bowman and R. L. Alcorn, members to make plans for the erection of a new high school building. This, the first brick school building in the township, was completed in 1929. It had eight class rooms and a spacious auditorium, which accommodated grades seven to twelve.

At the same time as the new building there came a new high school principal to B. T. H. S., Mr. George Gage, who remained until 1931. Mr. Mearl Gerheim, who taught in the high school for one year when Mr. Gage was principal, was elected to the office of high school principal in 1932.

A vocational course was offered for the first time in 1930. Forty-two students were enrolled in this course the first year, and the number increased from year to year, definitely increasing the enrollment of the school. The course included all phases of home economics, as well as agriculture and shop. These, of course, interested a number of students who had not wanted the academic course offering foreign languages, science, history and advanced mathematics.

The frame building, which

became exclusively a grade school except for the home economics room, had seen many years of service and was condemned as a fire hazard. This required action on the part of the school board again, and so in 1936 the members—D. P. Bowman, president; W. C. McWilliams, secretary; R. L. Alcorn, treasurer; L. L. Weister, member; and Mrs. Grayce Nixon, member—began negotiations for a P. W. A., grant to

help finance such a project. A grant amounting to 45% of the total cost was received and a bond issue started on December 7, 1937.

When this new building was started, Mr. Willard, who began his work as supervising principal in 1921, was still at the head of the township school system; and Mr. Gerheim, who started his career as high school principal in 1932, was also still commanding officer of the high school.





THE Freshman Class of 1934-35 first assembled as a class on September 4, 1934. Thirty-seven members of the class came from Bell Township, ten from Loyalhanna, five from Kiskiminetas, and ten from Salem. They came by bus; they came in cars; they walked sometimes they even ran.

Thirty-four students enrolled in the Academic course and were "started up in the way they should go" by their home-room teacher, Miss Snively. These thirty-four were Anthony Amarose, Harry Barker, Velma Boring, Viola Caldwell, William Campbell, Laura May Carnahan, Donald Dando, Ronald Dando, Glenn Edder, Joe Franko, Grace

Freeman, Guy Grimm, John Kontra, Ruth Lenz, Agnes Mickey, Ray Muffley, Steve Olex, Mike Pendlyshok, Andrew Povlik, Stanley Repos, Anthony Resnick, Pauline Rugh, Jack Saxon, Cameron Scalise, Vera Schall, Mildred Shaffer, John Shusko, Mary Shusko, Andrew Simon, Lester White, Vincent Wilson, Ralph Woods, Frank Zerebnick, and Robert Zukas.

This group elected as their home-room officers, Robert Zukas, president; Guy Grimm, vice president; Mildred Shaffer, secretary-treasurer.

The remaining thirty-three, who chose the Vocational course, were Dorothy Aikins, Dean Ashbaugh, Frances Boyd, Chesna Browell, Marie Burtyk, Robert Carnahan, Evelyn Cattoi



The Seniors As They Were In '34

Eugene Day, Stella Gallek, Clarence Hall, Elmer Hall, Lawrence Harkleroad, Eleanor Korchok, Virginia Landfair, Rose Malami, Earl Momberger, Roy Newhouse, Catherine Posney, Mollie Repos, Lysle Riffer, Dale Schrecengost, Irene Shank, Victoria Shermenti, Leonard Stover, Frank Suseck, Helen Turkovich, George Ukish, Vincent Vantoney, Rose Vinish, Dean Walker, William Whitesell, and Ollie Yakim. Mr. Bruce tackled the problem of being their home-room teacher.

The officers elected for this home-room were Lysle Riffere president; Virginia Landfair, vice president; Stella Gallek, secretary; and Mollie Repos, treasurer.

On the very first day of their

high school careers these students became acquainted with their commanding officers, George E. Willard, and Mearl Gerheim.

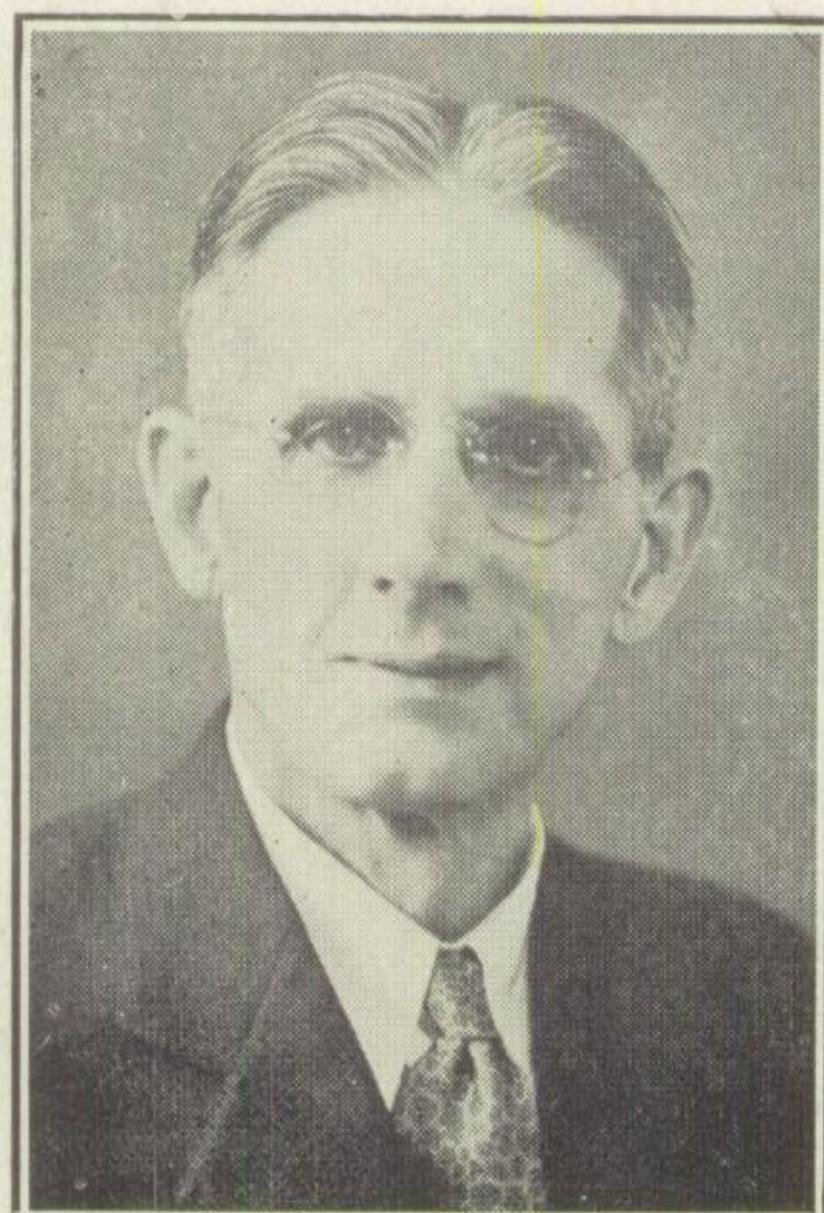
Mr. Willard was born March 11, 1877, at Salina, Pennsylvania, and part of his grade school work was done in that same town. He also attended Duffield's School and Shaffer's, where we have heard tell he was a champion paperwad shooter.

In 1895 and 96 he studied at the Ligonier Classical Institute, and the following year at Lockhaven State Normal School. Two years later he entered the Greensburg Seminary and was there during the 1900-1901 school year. He followed this with a year at Indiana State Normal and two at Grove City College. This work has been supplemented by ten summer sessions at the University of Pittsburgh.

During his year at Lockhaven, Mr. Willard was a member of the debating team; and his friends note that he can still put up some good arguments.

For seventeen years Mr. Willard served as a class room teacher in Bell and Loyalhanna Townships. In addition he has a record of twenty-two years as supervising principal in Moon, Franklin, Loyalhanna, and Bell Townships.

Mr. Willard's interest goes beyond the field of public school work into that of religious education, for he is Director of



George E. Willard, Supervising Principal

Religious Education over sixty-seven Methodist Episcopal churches.

The welfare of the boys and girls in the schools which come under Mr. Willard's care is his chief interest. He is always glad to give good sound advice based on years of experience, furnish interesting information for students, and look-out generally for the students' interests.

His presence at practically every football game is evidence of the fact that this is his favorite sport.

He enjoys all classical music and some movies, especially those in which Lily Pons appears.

If you care to see Mr. Willard in his very best state of mind, drive out route eighty some

summer morning. You're sure to find him at work in his garden where a weed doesn't dare show its face, because gardening-especially flower gardening-is his special hobby.

The members of the class of '38 met Mr. Gerheim for the first time when they listened to his words of wisdom and admonitions in assembly during their first day at B. T. H. S. As time went on they learned to know him better as both administrator and friend.

He was born in Leechburg, Pennsylvania, on September 23, 1905, just two days too early to be a Christmas gift. Since his family moved to Salina soon after that, all of his grade and high school work was done there, where he graduated from high school in 1925.

After a summer session at Penn State and a year's teaching experience in the Brownstown Elementary School, Mr Gerheim enrolled at Penn State in a four year course in the fall of 1926. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in January, 1930. During the rest of that year and the following year he worked toward a Masters Degree and taught history at the college, receiving his M. A. in June, 1931. He received scholastic recognition in being elected to membership in Kappa Phi Kappa, an honorary educational fraternity.

Mr. Gerheim returned to Salina to teach English, general science, and biology in Bell Township



Mearl Gerheim High School Principal

High School, and was elected to the principalship the following year. He is still serving the school as principal, but now teaches American history, problems of democracy, and safety.

Mr. Gerheim's contributions to the progress of the high school are many. In 1931 he revived girls' basketball, which has been one of our most popular sports. Through his efforts a school newspaper and an annual were first published, and a student council was organized. Along academic lines he changed the grading system from the system of percentage grades to the present letter grades, and was instrumental in including home economics for boys and highway safety in the high school curriculum.

Odd bits of poetry, which he quotes fluently, and old coins are his prize collections. He also enjoys writing parodies for his own amusement. His favorite movie stars are Greta Garbo,



Mr. Gerheim



Myrtle M. Snively

William Powell, and Robert Montgomery. Mr. Gerheim says "I go to see all sports in season and enjoy them all;" and if seeing is believing, he must be right; for we see him at every game, football, basketball, or baseball.

The members of the class very quickly learned to know and respect Miss Snively, for they found her to be a good sport as well as an excellent teacher. While they were freshmen, she taught them civics, art, and health; and the next year, history.

Miss Snively was born at Southwest Greensburg, where she later attended school. In 1920 she was graduated from Greensburg High School and in 1928 from Indiana State Teachers' College. She has also done special work at Grove City College and the University of Pittsburgh, studying history, biology, and bacteriology. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree at Indiana State Teachers'

College.

She began her career as a business and professional woman when she worked in a clothing store in Greensburg during her leisure time from high school. The professional part came when she began teaching at Blank's School, Hempfield Township, in 1920. She came to Bell Township to teach at Alcorn's School in 1923, and was transferred to the fourth grade in the Salina School two years later. By 1929 Miss Snively had earned a reputation as an exceptional teacher and was certified for high school work, therefore she was elected to a position on the high school teaching staff. She has now served seven busy and fruitful years in that position.

She shows real interest and enthusiasm in all school activities and somehow is able to inspire that spirit in others, too, for a better sales manager can't be found.

The Current Events Club is one of her special responsibilities, and the Student Council has her as one of their faculty advisers.

Generosity and helpfulness seem to be her personal creed, from which the students and school in general reap much profit.

Miss Snively's favorite sports are camping, hiking, and touring. She enjoys her new Plymouth immensely, but we doubt if it has completely taken the place of good old faithful Henry VIII,



Mary Christy Stewart

that famous Ford of hers, which, like the real Henry VIII, had a fondness for women.

Any fears which the freshmen of '34 may have had concerning algebra were quickly dispelled when they listened to one of Miss Stewart's explanations. Miss Stewart, one of the most efficient members of our faculty, teaches seventh, eighth, and ninth grade mathematics.

She was born in the historical Conemaugh Cabin, which stands at the junction of the Conemaugh River and Loyalhanna Creek, across the river from Saltsburg.

She attended the Saltsburg Public School and continued her education by taking high school work at the Indiana State Normal School. Later she took a three year college course at the same school. She spent the summer of 1915 in summer school at Chautauqua, New York, and the one, 1932, at the University of Pittsburgh. She has also taken extension work from the University of Pittsburgh.

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Her first teaching experience was gained at Shaffer's School here in Bell Township; and at three different times she taught at Stewart's in Loyalhanna Township. She has also taught in Southwest Greensburg, New Kensington, and Vandergrift. She came from Stewart's School to Salina to teach eighth grade. Then in 1929, when the high school moved into a new building, she began teaching history and science. Since then she has changed to mathematics.

Miss Stewart has always been a friend of young folks and enjoys working with them.

She has traveled quite extensively, mostly in her own car and chauffeuring for herself and her friends.



Gladys Whitesell

Whatever musical ability was or wasn't present in the class was soon made known to Miss Whitesell—we fear in some cases to our distress. She as you know teaches music in the entire school system in Bell Township.

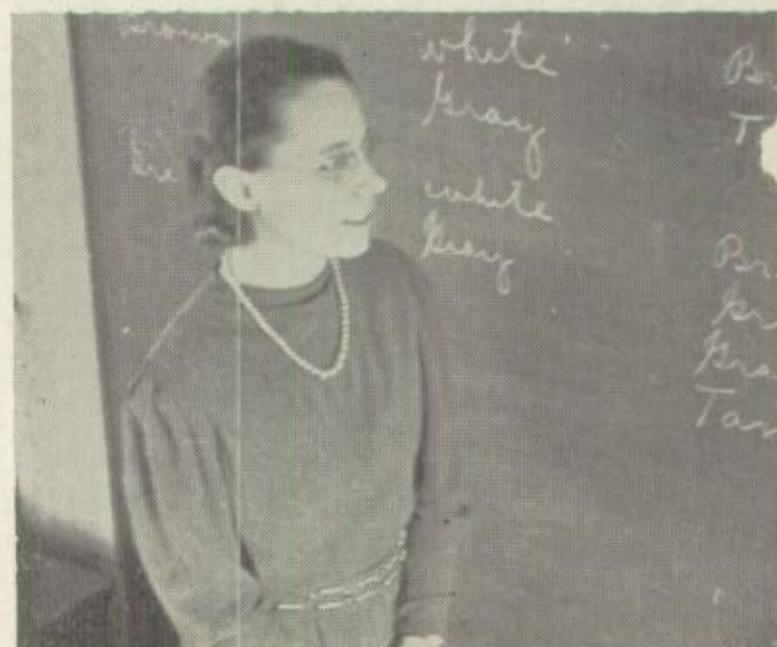
Miss Whitesell was born in

Salina, and attended grade and high school in that same community. She has studied music at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland, and at the University of New York and West Chester Normal School.

For two years after her graduation from the Peabody Conservatory she taught at Tressler's Orphanage in Loysville, Pennsylvania. Then she came to Bell Township in 1927, and we are fortunate enough to have her yet.

Aside from teaching regular music classes in the high school and in the grades, she has directed a Glee Club each year, and an orchestra when time and talent were available. Without her assistance the operettas would have been impossible.

She especially enjoys a capella choirs, symphonies, pipe organ music, and the music of Josef Hoffman and Arturo Schnabel.



Ruth Fennell

Horace Heidt's orchestra is one of her favorites for popular music and swing tunes.

The girls of the vocational group soon got acquainted with one of the most popular members of our faculty, Miss Fennell, who teaches home economics.

Miss Fennell, who was born in Salina not so very many years ago, went to the Salina Grade School, and later was graduated from the Bell Township High School. She then entered the Margaret Morrison School of Carnegie Tech, where she was enrolled in the home economics course.

Because of ill health during the summer of 1928 she was forced to seek a better climate and lighter schedule, so in the fall she changed to Pennsylvania State College, where she graduated in 1931. She was a member of the Home Economics Club there. Part of her training was practice teaching, which she did in the State College public school.

In the fall of 1931 Miss Fennell returned to Salina to take over the home economics department, which she has ably and efficiently managed ever since. She offers interesting and valuable courses which include sewing, cooking, home management, diet, serving, social customs, and interior decorating.

When it comes to planning lunches for parties, preparing them, and making favors, the classes just couldn't manage without Miss Fennell's help. She is also faculty adviser for

the Home Economics Club, and an adviser for the Vocational News Record, the vocational newspaper.

All sports interest Miss Fennell, and she enjoys golfing and traveling. Her favorite color is blue-to match her eyes, we suppose. She considers shopping her hobby, and can offer valuable advice along that line. We won't soon forget how hard she worked designing and making costumes for the operettas.



Katherine C. Alcorn

Some members of the class had sufficient courage to tackle the "dead language", Latin, and found it alive enough to keep them busy. This class was taught by Miss Alcorn, a new teacher on the faculty, who also taught sophomore Latin and freshman and sophomore English.

Miss Alcorn was born in Bell Township, near where she now lives, and got her educational start at Alcorn's School, where she went for eight grades. She then took a three year high

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school course in Washington Township, graduating in 1923.

The next four years she spent at Grove City College, where she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1927. During her college career she enjoyed many activities; was a member of Sigma Delta Beta, a social sorority; served one year on the Panhellenic Council; and was president of Y. W. C. A. her senior year.

She began her teaching career at Shenango Township High School in Lawrence County, where she taught Latin and public speaking. She also coached several class plays, was faculty adviser for the school newspaper, and had the privilege of sponsoring the first issue of their year book.

When Miss Alcorn came to B. T. H. S. in the fall of 1934, her past experience in annual work prompted Mr. Gerheim to have her serve as faculty adviser for the Bee Tee Vie. This has been one of her major interests ever since.

Aside from her school work Miss Alcorn is doing graduate work at the University of Pittsburgh, is an active member of Eastern Star, and is interested in church work. For recreation she reads, goes to occasional movies and plays, and plays bridge. She is an interested spectator at almost any athletic event, especially football and ice hockey. Although not much

of an athlete she likes to swim and dance, and enjoyed helping coach the dancers for the operettas.



Peter W. Mangery

The mysteries of science were enhanced by Mr. Mangery, the faculty member to whom the class reported for general science. In addition to these freshmen classes he teaches biology, chemistry, and physics.

Mr. Mangery was born in New Alexandria, Pennsylvania, and lived there for several years, starting school at the Shieldsburg Public School, which is near New Alexandria. Later, when his family moved to Slickville, he attended the Sloan's School located there.

He began his high school work at Kiski Prep School and finished at St. Vincent Prep. He then continued his college work at St. Vincent, enrolled in the pre-medical course, as his intentions were to go from there to the Jefferson Medical School at Philadelphia and study medicine.

While Mr. Mangery was in

college, one of his favorite extra-curricular activities was dramatics; and we understand that he was very active along that line.

Since his graduation from St. Vincent in 1932 Mr. Mangery has attended summer school at the University of Pittsburgh and at Pennsylvania State College, and has spent his winters efficiently teaching Bell Township students subjects of a scientific nature.

Since his family have moved from Slickville to Delmont, he commutes from there to Salina each day in his trusty Dodge. He doesn't seem to mind the drive at all.



Virginia Brookhart

When members of the class went to the library, they found a very efficient librarian in charge in the person of Miss Brookhart, who has been a member of the faculty for the past six years.

Miss Brookhart was born in Vandergrift, but her childhood days were spent in Cleveland,

Ohio; St. Louis, Missouri; and Wilkinsburg. Later her family returned to Vandergrift, where she was graduated from high school in 1924.

In the fall of the same year Miss Brookhart entered Carnegie Institute of Technology, where she majored in violin and English, and minored in French.

During the four years she was at Tech, Miss Brookhart played in the Carnegie Symphony and string ensemble. She was a member of the Tri-Gamma Sorority and held an inter-sorority scholarship in 1927.

In 1928 she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree at Carnegie Tech, and later worked in the Carnegie Library.

She started her teaching career in Vandergrift; and spent the next two years teaching at the Coalport-Irvona Joint High School.

September of 1932 found Miss Brookhart teaching freshman, sophomore, and junior English in Bell Township High School. That schedule was changed to junior and senior English and French in 1934. In 1935 she instituted a class in journalism for those seniors who were interested and capable along that line.

In addition to her teaching Miss Brookhart has been high school librarian; and since she came 250 volumes of fiction and 250 volumes of non-fiction have been added.

She has also successfully directed many of our plays and the speaking parts of both operettas. Through her efforts stage equipment and lights have been improved.



Mary C. Hamilton

One member of the faculty whom the class met their first year only as study hall teacher was Miss Hamilton, who as time went on came to be a very familiar figure at almost all school activities.

Miss Hamilton was born at Salina in a house which faces the room in which she now teaches English, geography, and junior science to the seventh and eighth graders of our school.

Her first education was received at the Salina Elementary School and later she was graduated from Bell Township High School. From there she went to Indiana State Teachers' College for the 1923-24 school year and the following summer session. After teaching at Bell Point one year and at Alcorn's two years, and attending the

intervening summer sessions at Indiana, she returned to Indiana and was graduated in January, 1928. Since then she has been doing work toward a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Soon after her graduation from Indiana, Miss Hamilton secured a position in the Washington Township Junior High, where she taught for six years. It was from there that she came to our school in 1934.

During Miss Hamilton's second year at Bell Township, the Bell Echo, our school newspaper, was given over into her hands; and she has served efficiently and faithfully as adviser to the staff ever since. Through her efforts the Bell Echo Staff became interested in the Press Club, which they have found enjoyable and profitable.

Green and blue are her favorite colors, which incidentally are very becoming to her. Reading and traveling are her favorite recreations, and sports in general interest her.

She was elected by the teachers of Westmoreland County as a delegate to the Pennsylvania State Education Association Convention, which met in Harrisburg, December 27, 28, and 29, 1937.

One of her several outside interests is the Grange. She is an active member in the local organization, serving as Lecturer for the past several years.

A first class meeting was held

in Miss Snively's room under her supervision, and the class gave their destiny into the hands of Pauline Rugh, president; Glenn Edder, vice president; Donald Dando, secretary; and Ronald Dando, treasurer.

The members of the class who were musically inclined were given an opportunity to display their talent in the orchestra and Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Whitesell. Those who joined the Glee Club were Anthony Amarose, Velma Boring, Marie Burtyk, Viola Caldwell, Laura May Carnahan, Grace Freeman, John Kontra, Agnes Mickey, Roy Newhouse, Mollie Repos, Pauline Rugh, Mildred Shaffer, and Frank Zerebnick. Many of this group will long remember the trip to Pittsburgh to sing over the radio from the K. D. K. A. studio in the William Penn Hotel, as well as the flat tire they had enroute. The numbers sung were "America's Message", "Turn Ye to Me", "Marianina", "Water Boy", "In the Time of Roses", and "Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming". Later in the year the same program was given at the Westmoreland County Teachers' Institute in Greensburg.

Anthony Amarose, Harry Barker, and Velma Boring became members of the high school orchestra, playing the guitar, trumpet, and violin, respectively.

Particular responsibilities were given to Velma Boring and Chesna Browell, who were selected as Freshmen representatives on the Student Council; to Pauline Rugh, who became Freshman reporter for the Bell Echo; to Robert Carnahan and Roy Newhouse, who were named patrolmen; and to Velma Boring and Grace Freeman, when they were elected cheerleaders.

Chesna Browell and Pauline Rugh started their dramatic careers when they were cast in the school play, "The Gentleman from Hong-Kong".

Members of the class, assisted by the Glee Club and orchestra, gave an hilarious evening of entertainment when they presented three one act plays on February 20, 1935.

In "His Just Desserts" Mildred Shaffer screamed beautifully upon finding pepper in her ice cream; and the other members of the cast, Glenn Edder, Grace Freeman, Guy Grimm, Ray Muffley, and Mary Shusko, were equally dramatic.

"More Than A Million", enacted by Robert Carnahan, Eugene Day, Stella Gallek, Elmer Hall, Bill Whitesell, Rose Vinish, and Ollie Yakim, proved that honest endeavor is not without reward.

Amid the rattling of chains, gory buckets of red ink, moans of ghosts, and yards and yards of sheeting Anthony Amarose, Marie Burtyk, Chesna Browell,

Viola Caldwell, Laura May Carnahan, Earl Momberger, Anthony Resnick, Pauline Rugh, Leonard Stover, and Lester White successfully presented "The Initiation".

The girls' chorus sang "The Lilac Tree" and a mixed chorus sang "Water Boy".

Dean Ashbaugh, Glenn Edder, Ray Muffley, Leonard Stover, Kenneth Walker, and Ralph Woods represented the class on the gridiron, while Bill Whitesell and Eugene Day were managers.

The team that year won the "Little Three" championship by defeating Avonmore, 19-0, and tying Washington Township, who lost to Avonmore, 6-0.

Three of the girls were on the girls' basketball team. Chesna Browell played forward; Eleanor Korchok, guard; and Pauline Rugh, forward. The team had one of the most successful seasons in recent years, losing only one game, to Franklin Township.

The members of the class thought they might make sure of a visit from the Easter Bunny if they entertained in his honor, so their first social event was an Easter party. To carry out the idea of the season, the favors were hard-boiled eggs with exceedingly artistic faces and head-

dresses. Some members of the masculine gender were bribed into helping with the decorations with quantities of jelly beans. The setting for the party was the Salina Town Hall, elegantly decorated with blue and yellow crepe paper. The girls thought that the decorations were "just too cute for words".

Appetites, which were very good under ordinary circumstances, were ravenous as a result of all this exercise. Some of the guests even rudely suggested to the lunch committee that it was time to eat, and they immediately got results. A bountiful lunch of sandwiches, pickles, cake, ice cream, and chocolate milk revived some of the members to such an extent that they could toss hard boiled eggs from one end of the hall to the other with the greatest of ease, much to the dismay of the guests at the other end. Quite accidentally, of course, some of the eggs found their way into the chocolate milk. Those who went back for more chocolate milk were more surprised than pleased.

Sixty-three members of the class and seven teachers were present to enjoy the party.

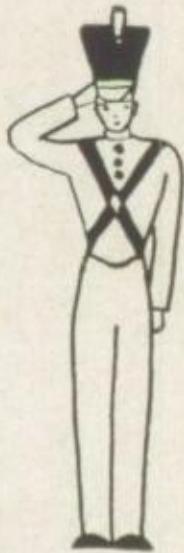
Aside from having fun and doing some really serious studying, the class finished the year with \$47.50 in the treasury.

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COMING back with their first impression of high school life still fresh in their minds, the class found they had lost eight members.

Those who left

to find work were Cameron Scalise, Andrew Simon, and Andrew Povlik. Two members went to other schools; Guy Grimm, to Apollo; and Evelyn Cattoi, to Saltsburg. Roy Newhouse moved to Greensburg and Lester White joined the C. C. C., further reducing our numbers. The class was saddened when



the Grim Reaper, Death, took from our midst Ray Muffley, who was accidentally drowned during the summer vacation.

To compensate for these losses we gained four new members; Frank Dovyak and Lyelle Eckenrode, from Saltsburg; Rose Sabow, from Greensburg; and Michael Fostar from Turtle Creek.

At the end of the first semester Mr. Shaulis resigned as vocational instructor to accept a position as supervising principal at Elders Ridge Vocational School. Since Mr. Shaulis had been home room teacher of the Academic Sophomores, Mr. Mack, the new teacher, took over that duty as well as the reins of the



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vocational department. The Vocational were under the supervision of Mr. Mangery, who meted out their demerits with "justice to all and malice toward none."

Early in September both home rooms met together as a class and selected Chesna Browell, president; Pauline Rugh, vice president; Virginia Landfair, secretary; and Michael Pendlyshok, treasurer.

Since Chesna had the responsibility of being a student council member she resigned and Michael Fostar was elected president in her place.

The Sophomore class did very well in landing positions on the various athletic teams that represented our high school on the field of battle. Taking a glance at the records of these various squads, we discover many interesting facts.

Our class was represented on the football squad by Ralph Woods and Kenneth Walker. We were further honored by having three other members of the Sophomore class as the varsity managers of the team. These boys were Harry Barker, William Campbell, and Eugene Day.

The football team had one of the most successful seasons in the history of the school. Among their triumphs was a 6-2 victory over the Apollo Tigers. Coach Bruce's lads also captured the Westmoreland County Cham-

pionship, the Kiski Valley title, and finished third in WPIAL competition.

Paul Kurtz, sports editor of the Pittsburgh Press, named Captain Robert Ripple as full-back on his WPIAL all star team.

With the aid of Sophomores Viola Caldwell, Chesna Browell, and Ruth Lenz, the girls' basketball team, as usual, had a very successful season. Our fair damsels reached the finals in the Allegheny Mountain Association Tournament but were defeated by the lassies from Elizabeth High School.

The boys' basketball team finished fourth in the "Little Six" Conference which included Saltsburg, Avonmore, Franklin Township, Washington Township, and Elders Ridge.

Three of our players, Ripple, Goodrich, and Keller, were placed on conference all star teams.

Harry Barker, William Whitesell, and Kenneth Walker were the Sophomore representatives on the squad.

Bell Township sponsored its first baseball team in the history of the school when they entered a diamond squad in Section E of the WPIAL. The teams had a fair season, defeating such teams as Glassport and Turtle Creek Union. Ralph Woods, Anthony Resnick, and Leonard Stover played no little part in the success of the team.

In intra-mural softball the

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Academic Sophomores were school champs; an honor which they won by defeating the Sophomore Vocational in the playoff by a 1-0 score. John Kontra was the man of the hour when he clouted a homer in the tenth inning with Anthony Resnick on second base.

Last but not least, we give you facts about the Vocational softball team. This squad was made up of members of the organization known as the Future Farmers of America. This team won the championship of its section which included such schools as Derry Township, Greensburg, Harrold's School, and Bolivar. Our boys won most of their games on sheer power; running up such large counts that the results read like football scores.

All in all our athletic teams were so successful that they will never be forgotten by followers of Bell Township High School.

The Sophomores placed two members on the staff of the Bell Echo, official school publication. Pauline Rugh was a class reporter and Marie Burtyk was the feature editor of the paper.

The public was astounded with a glimpse into every country on the face of the earth (practically). The occasion was the Sophomore Travelogue. Real actors and real actresses, as they appear in movie magazines, greeted the travelers when they started their world-tour from

Hollywood.

From Ireland the tourists took a trip down the stairs from the teachers' room to the good old U. S. A. (Unusually Spacious Auditorium) traveling with three inch boats. There they sat down with a relieved sigh and rested their burning "dogs" for a few minutes, chewing on candy bought from Dean Walker, Lysle Riffer, and Steve Olex. In a few more minutes the lights went out and the curtains parted. Looking at our programs we saw that a one-act farce entitled, "King Sargon's Jars." was to be presented.

"Monie a bonnie lad and lassie were unco happy" when they attended the Scotch Party which the class held in the Salina hall. The guests of honor were "bade coome" by clever Scotch verses. Favors in the form of booklets were given to each guest. Scotty dogs decorated the table and napkins. Everything was Scotch except the lunch. Mr. Gerheim's majestically "fanning the breeze" with a wooden spoon as he tried to burst a balloon was one feature of the evening. Another feature was Rose Sabow's joke which won the Scotch Joke Contest and the prize, a Scotty pup.

About the beginning of February practice was started on an operetta "And It Rained." It was the first time anything of this kind was attempted in this school. The cast was to consist

of one hundred and twenty-five students in all, a tremendous undertaking for a school of this size. People were skeptical as to its success. After hearing many discouraging prophecies, the production staff went ahead and kept the spirit of the group up. The production was under the direction of Miss Brookhart and Mr. Mangery; music by Miss Whitesell; decorations were arranged by Miss Stewart, Miss Snively, and Miss Hamilton; advertising was secured through the efforts of Miss Hamilton and Harry Learn. Last but not least was Mr. Gerheim who provided the transportation from practice, by driving the bus. Through the efforts of this staff the operetta was made a success and they all deserve due credit for their efforts.

The Sophomores placed most of their members in some part of the program; they took part in the dances and sang in the chorus. Pauline Rugh was given the part of Mazie Black, a girl with one-hundred dollars to spend. Grace Freeman, Viola Caldwell, Laura Mae Carnahan, and Marie Burtyk tapped out rhythm as tap dancers; Marie Burtyk danced the exotic tango; and Harry Barker, William Campbell, and Mike Fostar "whooped it up" as Indians. Vera Schall, Chesna Browell, and Mary Shesko gave a victory

dance number; Mary Shusko and Vera also took part in the Irish Dance. In the Indian Chorus were Dorothy Aikens, Frances Boyd, Irene Shank, and Chesna Browell; Chesna played the part of Moonflower, an Indian princess. In the chorus were Chesna Browell, Virginia Landfair, Ruth Lenz, Mollie Repos, Rose Sabow, Mildred Shaffer, Ollie Yakim, Glenn Edder, Joe Franko, and Frank Zerebnick.

Chesna Browell was given the honor of representing our Sophomore class on the Student Council.

We regret to say that not one member of our class was represented on the student patrol staff.

During the year our ranks were further reduced by members leaving school. A few left to find work, among them were Eleanor Korchok, Tony Amaroze, Frank Zerebnick, and Stella Gallek. Some left because of difficulties at home, Rose Malami and Katherine Posney. These girls are now back, though not in our class. Eugene Day and Jack Saxon left for other schools, Eugene for Avonmore and Jack Saxon for Apollo. One member, Agnes Mickey, was married, further depleting our ranks. We were sorry to lose these members as it took from us people that would help us in our busy Junior year.

### SHOULDER ARMS



The class had always eagerly looked forward to being called "Juniors." Now, at last, they were on the verge of becoming upper classmen, and would be granted heretofore unknown privileges. They could choose their class-rings; attend the Junior-Senior Banquet!

When they had assembled in the auditorium, Mr. Gerheim delighted them by announcing that walls would no longer separate the two classes. Both would occupy Mr. Mangery's room as one big, happy family. There was but one shadow to dim their perfect happiness—and that was the fact that some of their classmates had not returned. These were Mary Shusko, who gave up dear old B. T. Hi to continue her schooling elsewhere; and Glenn Edder, whose family moved, making it necessary for him to enroll at another school.

Mr. Carnahan came to Bell



Our Janitor, Lucian Carnahan

Township High School when the class of '38 were sophomores, although it was not until their junior year that they really got acquainted with him. He is known to everyone around the school as "Luch." He seldom, if ever, misses a football or basketball game, and is always willing to lend a helping hand.

During the early part of the school term, the class president, Mike Pendlyshok, left in order to attend a trade school. Consequently a new president, Dean Hicks, was elected. Grace Freeman assumed the duties of his assistant, while Chesna Browell and Mike Fostar retained the positions of secretary and treasurer. Anthony Resnick, Pauline Rugh, and Mollie Repos represented the class in the Student Council.

The active juniors opened the dramatic season by successfully presenting "Her Incubator Husband," an amusing comedy of matrimonial mix-ups. The cast included Pauline Rugh as Elaine, the girl who posed for a picture that was destined to awaken quiet, studious Felix Mudge, played by Vincent Vantony, to the wonders of love; Joe Franko, who portrayed Roy Honeywell, the dashing young married man that Felix persuaded (with the aid of two hundred dollars) to lend him the use of his name and personality; Laura May Carnahan, playing the part of Mrs. Roy Honeywell, Joe's wife;

Grace Freeman, as the German maid, Anna, who provided most of the humor by speaking with an accent, mixing up her sentences, and constantly having to pull up her long, white, cotton stockings; Marie Burtyk in the role of Patsy Dare, a friend of Elaine's who promised to help her out by winning Felix's affection; Mike Fostar as the Reverend Hooper, whose dignity was shattered when he was forced to play nursemaid to Mrs. Honeywell's child; Viola Caldwell, who took the part of Felix's mother fainted when she learned of her son's scheme to win Elaine by changing his name and personality; Virginia Landfair, who enacted the part of Elaine's mother and did all in her power to bring Elaine and the supposed Felix together; Vera Schall as the nervous friend of Mrs. Ellis's turned out to be Roy Honeywell's mother-in-law; and Dale Schrecengost, the detective, hired by Mrs. Honeywell to trail and spy on her husband.

Some of the humorous incidents which took place during practices and which, unfortunately, only the cast enjoyed were Frank Suseck becoming so absorbed in the part as he tried out for the role of Detective Snyder that he just went right on reading—even everything that was in italics, the result of which was his interpreting “‘Pardon me.’” (All turn) as “‘Pardon me. I’ll turn.’” and

proceeding to turn his back on his imaginary audience; Frank insisting, too, that in order to come down center stage he just had to come down stairs; Marie Burtyk having much difficulty as she attempted to push through the too narrow doorway a wheelbarrow containing the supposedly unconscious Joe Franko, who remarked as members of the cast struggled to lift him onto a divan the hard way—over the back—“Don’t bother; I’ll just get up and get on myself.”

Then, when the play was actually being presented, Grace Freeman, in an effort to revive Pauline Rugh from a faint, grabbed what she had thought was an empty bottle, and as she held it under Pauline’s nose small, white particles of something or other fell from the bottle into the patient’s mouth.

Pauline, discovering that they didn’t taste very good, forgot that she was supposed to be in a faint and proceeded to wipe away the annoying particles with her hand.

Between acts Marie Burtyk, Chesna Browell, Ollie Yakim, and Mollie Repos took part in two musical numbers, one entitled “Sing, Baby, Sing” and the other “A Fine Romance.” Not until after the numbers had been presented did Marie discover that, in the excitement and hurry of changing clothes, she had put on her dress backwards.

In spite of these mishaps, the

play turned out to be a tremendous success. This was due to the efforts of Mr. Mangery, who was the director, and partly to the enthusiastic way in which the class went about selling tickets. The class was divided into two teams, each with a captain. Grace Freeman was captain of what eventually turned out to be the losing team, while Pauline Rugh captained the team which won by virtue of only a few cents.

As it had been agreed before the contest started that the losing side should give the others a party, a short time afterwards the class enjoyed a "get-together" at the Salina Hall. All the decorations pertained to Valentine's Day. Everybody agreed that he had more than enough ice cream, cake and chocolate milk.

Then came another most colorful and successful dramatic event—an operetta entitled "Ask the Professor", concerning life in a fashionable girls' school. Several members of the class, by contributing their talent, helped to make it the hit it was. Chesna Browell had the part of Emily Lee, Grace Freeman was Polly, and Pauline Rugh played the role of Maryida. In the girls' chorus were Virginia Landfair, Dorothy Manners, Mollie Repos, Vera Schall, Mildred Shafler, and Ollie Yakim. Among those who tap-danced to the tilting tunes were Viola Cald-

well, Marie Burtyk, and Laura May Carnahan. Dorothy Manners and Virginia Landfair were with those who swung merrily in the Quadrille, and Mollie Repos sang and stepped gaily with the Maryida Chorus.

In a later dramatic venture, "In the Octagon", a junior-senior play, Marie Burtyk had a role. Miss Brookhart was the director.

Still in need of money for the banquet they wished to give the seniors, the class sold Christmas cards and wrappings. Then they scheduled an appearance of Mr. Neff, a magician.

On May 28, using the proceeds from their different money-making ventures, the class held a combined banquet and prom at the William Penn Tavern for the seniors. Pauline Rugh, Chesna Browell, Anthony Resnick, Laura May Carnahan, and John Kontra made up the banquet committee. The theme of the affair was "The Rainbow", but outside there was only a constant downpour of rain. The decoration committee, Marie Burtyk, Ollie Yakim, and Mollie Repos, decorated the tavern in keeping with the theme. The favors made of various colored gum-drops, resembled rainbows. The flowers on the speakers' table and on the individual tables were of rainbow colors. On the speakers' table stood two little dolls, garbed in commencement caps and gowns and clutch-

ing diplomas in their hands. The dance programs—of blue and gold, the senior' colors—contained the menu, the class colors, the class rolls, the class mottoes, and the names of the speakers of the evening. Grace Freeman was the toastmistress.

During the course of the evening, parodies on popular songs were sung. Art DeFrancis and his orchestra provided the music for the dancing.

Everybody had an enjoyable time, but it would have been more so if we could have had the company of our principal, who was ill with influenza. Concerned with our welfare, as always, he came down (against the doctor's orders) and looked in on us late in the evening—just to see that everything was going smoothly.

Chesna Browell, Lysle Riffer, and Marie Burtyk made up the transportation committee, whose duty it was to find a way for everyone who was to attend the affair.

They must have done a good job of assigning passengers for Elmer Hall drove all the way from Salina to Perrysville with the emergency brake on, all the while wondering whatever could be wrong with the car.

Some members of the class were active in publishing "The Bell Echo", our school newspaper. Marie Burtyk was art editor; Pauline Rugh, the humorist; and Chesna Browell, re-

porter of the junior class news.

The class was well represented in the field of sports, too. Girls' basketball had Viola Caldwell and Chesna Browell as active and alert forwards; and Grace Freeman, Pauline Rugh, and Ruth Lenz as guards. Harry Barker and William Whitesell, of the boys' squad, did their part in piling up points against their opponents on the hard-wood.

Streaking across the gridiron were Vincent Vantony and Elmer Hall as tackles, Stanley Repos as guard, John Kontra as plunging center, and Ralph Woods and Nelson Keller for fast and furious half-backs. Harry Barker was their ever-ready manager.

Those who twirled and batted the baseball around on the diamond were Anthony Resnick, John Kontra, Leonard Stover, Harry Barker, and Ralph Woods.

The Future Farmers of America organized a mushball team, and William Whitesell, Elmer Hall, Vincent Vantony, and Dean Walker helped them win their victories.

The Future Farmers of America, an organization to promote interest in agricultural projects in the school, had these juniors members: Elmer Hall, Clarence Hall, Vincent Vantony (their vice president), Dean Walker, Lawrence Harkleroad, and William Whitesell (their news reporter).

That year, for the first time,

a Home Economics Club was organized, with Miss Fennell as adviser. The purpose of the club was to enable the girls to become better homemakers. The junior members were Chesna Browell, Mollie Repos, Ollie Yakim, Frances Boyd, Virginia Landfair, Ruth Lenz, and Dorothy Manners.

Vera Schall, Laura May Carnahan, Dorothy Manners, Virginia Landfair, Mollie Repos, Ollie Yakim, Frances Boyd, Marie Burtyk, and Chesna Browell belonged to the Glee Club,

under the direction of Miss Whitesell.

After an active year, we leave the class looking happily forward to a summer vacation and their senior year. They are sorry that Lyelle Eckenrode, Kenneth Walker, Vincent Wilson, Rose Sabow, Philip Smith, Dorothy Aikens, and Betty Mann will not be with them. All these students had left sometime during the busy junior year. Sophia Chupa joined the class about the middle of the year, but left not long afterwards.



### FORWARD, MARCH



ON THE morning of August 30, 1937, forty-three very eager students returned to Bell Township High School to be recognized as the class of '38. Every one gathered in the auditorium where Mr. Gerheim, a very familiar figure to the seniors, welcomed them back with a cheery good-morning and a friendly smile.

After devotion, several laws and regulations were announced to the students and then each class was assigned to the rooms which for the remainder of the term, would be their home rooms.

The senior class reported to Miss Brookhart (Room 4), which was occupied last year by a group of freshmen. They discovered that no new members had entered school as seniors and two members of the class had not returned, George Ufema, who transferred to another school and Dorothy Aikens who quit school.

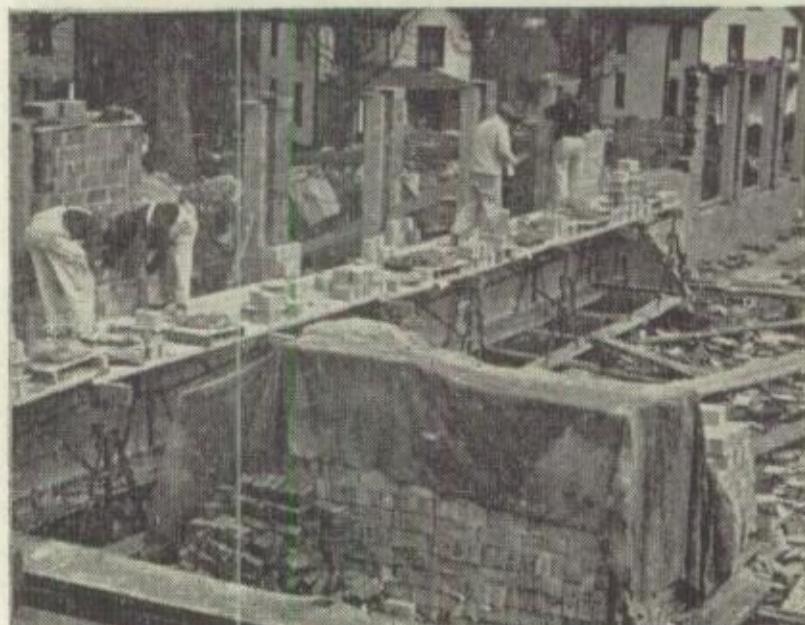
Realizing that work should and must begin immediately they gathered on September 15, 1937 to hold their first noisy meeting.

It was at this meeting that their commander-in-chief, Michael Fostar, was elected to lead them through the next eight months of battle. Grace Freeman was elected to be the

vice president of the class. Chesna Browell was chosen as secretary to be ever at his side with a pencil and paper. Vincent Vantoney was chosen to handle all financial business or to be treasurer of his class. During the summer of 1937 a change occurred in our faculty; Mr. Earl J. Bruce, coach of football, basketball, and baseball here for eight years accepted the position as assistant coach at Brownsville High School.

Mr. Bruce came to Bell Township in the fall of 1929. Under his leadership in football, basketball, and baseball, our boys won many laurels. Although it was our loss, it was Brownsville's gain.

Another teacher who left us during that summer was Mr. V. D. Mack, vocational instructor who had been with us only a year and a half. He left



to become Supervisor of Agriculture at Zelienople, Pa.

Along with two losses, we received two gains, Mr. Stephen Jacobs and Mr. W. C. Smith.

After Christmas vacation, work on the new high school building began. This made it possible for the school to have half-day sessions. The high school began classes at eight o'clock and ended at twelve o'clock. The grade children arrived at twelve o'clock and be-

share towards making the new venture a success.

Each year the staff attempts to add something to the book to make it appear different. The Class of 1935 added the illustrated prophecy; in 1936 a picture of the School Board and individual faculty pictures were added; and the Class of 1937 introduced a new feature by adding the picture of our high school building.

Since the editor, Pauline



Bee Tee Vie Staff

gan their classes about 12:05 and were finished at four o'clock.

This left afternoons free for work on one of the biggest projects of the senior class—their annual, the Bee Tee Vie, which means the life of Bell Township. The first yearbook was published in 1934 with Mr. Gerheim as the adviser. Beulah Gerheim was elected editor, and the other staff members contributed their

Rugh; the business manager, Grace Freeman; and Mike Foster photographic editor; were elected near the end of the junior year, the staff got a better start this year.

The Bee Tee Vie staff of '38 was made up of Pauline Rugh, the editor, who contributed her share by helping everyone on the staff; acting as her assistant was Vera Schall, who wrote all

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about the history of Bell Township; Grace Freeman, our business manager, who tried to keep track of all the yearbooks sold by her side and also took care of the money from the yearbook sales; Mike Fostar and his assistant, Ruth Lenz, had difficulty getting a few of the students to "smile at the birdie" when they were having their pictures taken; Chesna Browell, Marie Burtyk, Ollie Yakim, and Dean Hicks made up the editorial staff and worked hard to get all the write-ups done on time; Mollie Repos, our sales manager, who worked diligently to do her share of selling yearbooks; Marie Burtyk and her assistant, Virginia Landfair, displayed the fine talent in art; and the advertising staff, made up of Viola Caldwell, John Kontra, and Vincent Vantoney, who secured advertisements for the yearbook to the best of their ability, and the adviser, Miss Alcorn, who told us what to do and how to do it.

Many of the senior boys and girls did their part on the field of sports. One of the most popular of the boys' sports was football in which Anthony Resnick, John Kontra, Ralph Woods, Vincent Vantoney, Leonard Stover, Elmer Hall, and Nelson Keller "gave all they had". Harry Barker, as manager, took good care of the boys and their equipment.

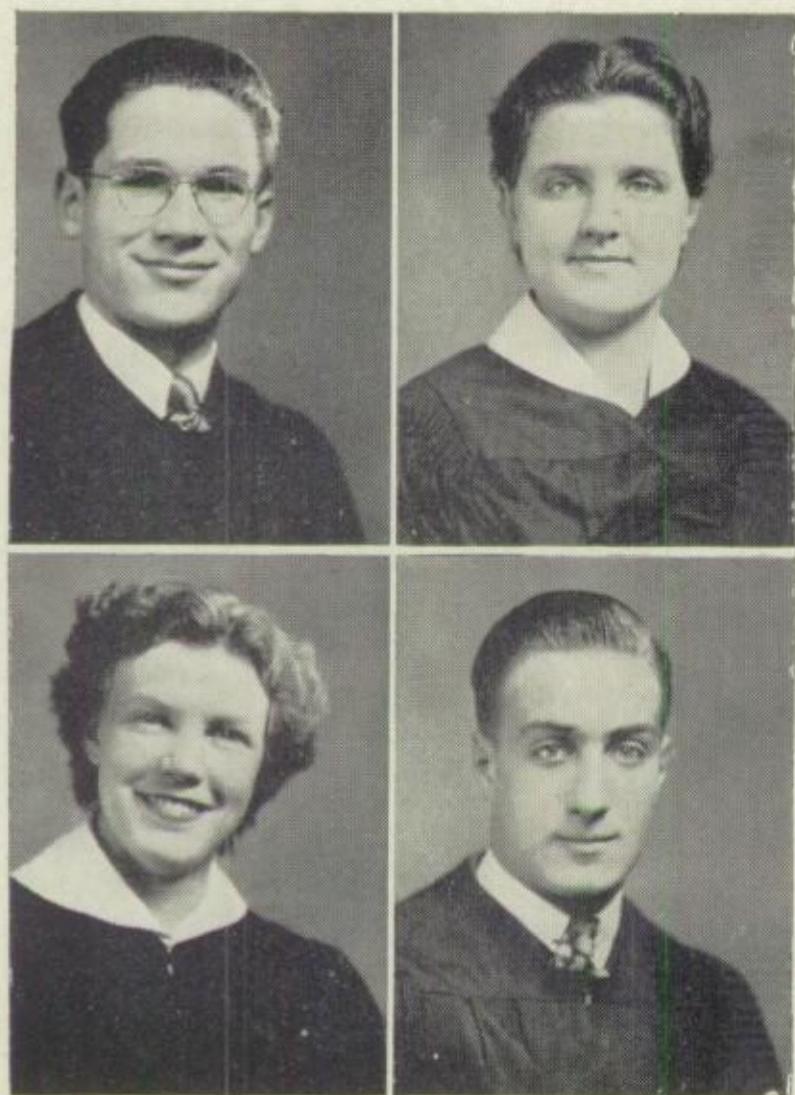
Basketball seemed to be as popular with the boys as well as the girls. Those of the boys who made the team were William Whitesell, Leonard Stover, Anthony Resnick, and Harry Barker. Mike Fostar and Dale Schrecengost were among those who went out for it.

One of the main social events of the year was the dance held by the senior class on November 26, 1937 in the Salina Hall. The music was furnished by Art De Francis and his Orchestra. A good time was had by all, and the affair was a financial success.

The senior class was very ambitious and got right down to business the first of the year. First they sold football pins with Bell Township High on them and school colors attached; secondly they purchased pennants which "went like hot cakes". Since several boxes of Christmas cards were left over from the junior year, they sold these, also.

On April sixth the Seniors were given the responsibility of managing the school from janitor to supervising principal. This Senior Day custom has been observed for several years, as an opportunity for the seniors to test their ability at shouldering responsibilities.

Near the end of the year the members of the class donned their graduation gowns and visited the photographer. This began the long series of activities enjoyed by them.



Michael Fostar  
Chesna Browell

Grace Freeman  
Vincent Vantony

**MICHAEL FOSTAR**—Mickey's most commonly used expression is "phooey". "Tinkering" with radios is his hobby. He listens to an educational program "Science Marches On" along with witty ones, such as, Fibber McGee. He also enjoys listening to Wayne King's Orchestra.

He is especially talented in music so far as all stringed instruments and bass horns are concerned.

Before Mickey entered our high school, he attended Monroeville Grade Schools and Patton Township Junior High School. He has displayed dramatic ability in two operettas, one play, and the "Travelogue." He was president of the class in his sophomore year and re-elected in his senior year. In his junior

year he was treasurer. He was a member of the dramatic club his sophomore year and glee club his senior year. During his junior and senior years he was a cheerleader; on the Bell Echo staff he was humorist and assistant class news editor. He was elected photographic editor of the Bee Tee Vie.

**GRACE LA VERNE FREEMAN**—Grace is quite a scholar; taking third honors in her class. She enjoys listening to Jack Benny's program, Shep Fields' and Tommy Dorsey's Orchestra. She likes to dance and to sing popular songs. Because she has dark hair, she wears red which she says is her favorite color. She has no special hobby but likes sports in general. She goes to see all movies in which either Loretta Young or James Stewart are one of the cast. She was elected cheerleader when she was freshman; then became captain when a senior. She has been a member of the varsity basketball team for the last two years. On the Bell Echo staff she was feature editor her senior year. She belonged to the glee club her first three years in high school and the dramatics club her sophomore year. She has been vice president during our junior and senior years and business manager of the Bee Tee Vie her senior year. During her high school career she has taken part in five plays, one her freshman year, two her sophomore and

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junior years each.

**CHESNA BROWELL**—Chesna, our fair secretary, always answers to the name of "Spunky." She uses the expression, "Don't be silly," quite frequently. Because she is a blonde she looks very nice in blue which she declares is her favorite color. She delights in seeing movies in which Franchot Tone and Pat O'Brien have a role. She has been on the varsity basketball team for four years and has participated in seven plays during her four years of high school. She has been our secretary for two years. She was a member of the Student Council in her freshman and sophomore years; and in her freshman year, was secretary of it. During her junior year she was elected cheerleader, which position she held during her senior year. She has been a member of the Bell Echo staff for the last two years, and was assistant editor her last year. In her sophomore and junior year she was a member of the dramatic club. She was a member of the editorial staff of the Bee Tee Vie.

### VINCENT C. VANTONY—

"Vince", our trustworthy treasurer, enjoys listening to Charlie McCarthy and Ted Weem's Orchestra play the popular swing tunes of today. Vince is usually attired in gray. Myrna Loy and William Powell are his favorite movie stars. He attended Clawson's Grade School one year

then came to Bell Township where he has been an active student in the vocational line of work and study. He has been a member of the F. F. A. Club for four years, was treasurer his sophomore year, vice president his junior year, and president his senior year. He was on the football squad his junior and senior year. He was a player for the vocational soft ball team his sophomore and junior years and a member of the glee club his freshman and sophomore years. He was on the advertising staff of the Bee Tee Vie his senior year.



Frances Boyd  
William Campbell

Harry Barker  
Marie Burtik

**FRANCES BOYD**—Frances says she has no nickname around school, but her folks call her "Fanny." She was born at Chester, Pennsylvania, and has

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attended three different schools which are as follows: seven years at Sunny Side School at Spring Church, Pa.; one year at consolidated school one mile from Apollo; and the remaining four years at Bell Township.

Frances' favorite expression is "gee whiz", and she especially likes the color blue. She enjoys most any kind of music, and declares that Joan Crawford is her favorite movie star. Frances' hobby is collecting poems.

During her high school career she belonged to the Glee Club for the last three years; was a member of the Home Ec Club when she was a junior and senior, belonged to the Student Patrol in her senior year and was in both the operettas which were presented in her sophomore and junior years.

**HARRY BARKER** — "Barker" has lived in Salina and gone to Bell Township schools ever since he was knee-high to a grasshopper.

He is another one of those persons who go around saying "gee whiz." He likes the color blue; we wonder if his many girl friends made him choose that.

He has two favorites in the movie world, Janet Gaynor and Frank McHugh. Harry is greatly interested in sports. He was on the basketball squad all four years and made the varsity in his sophomore, junior, and senior years. He was also football manager his last three years in

high school.

Harry enjoys listening to Fibber McGee and Jack Benny.

He was assistant sports editor of the Bell Echo staff when a senior; played in the orchestra; was on the Student Patrol in his freshman year; had a part in the operetta, which was given in his sophomore year; and was also in one-act plays when a sophomore and a senior.

**WILLIAM CAMPBELL** — "Bill" has always wondered why the bus doesn't stop for him when it goes past his home every school morning. The fifty steps he has to take to get to school just about kill him.

"Bill's" favorite color is orchid, and he likes Gene Autry, that famous singing cow-boy. He plays several musical instruments and says his hobby is hunting.

"Bill" enjoys listening to "Road of Life" and Pappy Jones. He has been gifted with a voice which he has trained to yodel.

"Bill" has attended Bell Township schools from the very first. In his sophomore year he is credited with being assistant football manager.

He has displayed dramatic ability in every high school year. His freshman year he was in one play, his sophomore year one play and one operetta, and his junior and senior years one play each.

**MARIE BURTYK**—Salutatorian

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of her class. Her pals call her "Mimi" but she really prefers Marie. She likes popular music and dancing and in the movie world her affections fall upon Spencer Tracy.

Marie is especially talented in art, and therefore has made that her hobby. She has displayed her special talent on the Bell Echo for several years and in this volume of the Bee Tee Vie. She has attended only one other school besides Bell Township, this being Sloan's school. During her four years at Bell Township she has sung in the Glee Club every year, has belonged to the Home Ec. Club for the past two years, was a member of the Dramatic Club when a junior, was on the Bell Echo staff ever since she was a sophomore, and was editor of the paper her senior year. She was also on the Bee Tee Vie staff.

Her dramatic career was outstanding also. She was a member of cast of a one act play when a freshman, travelogue and operetta when a sophomore, and two plays and one operetta when a junior.

In future years Marie will probably be an art instructor at some large university.

**DONALD A. DANDO**—This lad looks almost exactly like his twin brother and answers to the nickname of "Don."

Donald was secretary of his class when a freshman.

It seems as though "Don" al-



Donald Dando  
Laura May Carnahan

Viola Caldwell  
Ronald Dando

ways has a guilty conscience for when anyone looks at him he says, "I didn't do anything."

He likes popular music very much and likes red especially well.

Donald likes hunting a lot but not the little session of classes he had after school was out.

Clark Gable and Myrna Loy are his favorite actor and actress, because of their ability and not their looks.

Charlie McCarthy's program is his favorite, yet he doesn't understand why a man should sit and talk to a "fence rail."

**RACHELLE VIOLA CALDWELL**—Better known as "Bunker" who usually says, "I don't know," when you ask her a question.

Bing Crosby's program is her favorite and she likes to here him

sing "I Double Dare You".

She was very active on the basketball floor by playing on the varsity squad her sophomore, junior, and senior years.

"Bunker" displayed her dramatic ability when she was in the "Travelogue" and in the operetta, "And It Rained", her sophomore year. When a junior she portrayed Mrs. Mudge in the play "Her Incubator Husband" and tap danced in the operetta "Ask the Professor."

Her favorite color is blue, and she collects snapshots as a hobby.

Having a hard time to select her favorite actor and actress, she came to the conclusion that they were Tom Brown and Rochelle Hudson.

Viola was a member of the Glee Club when a sophomore and junior and also a member of the Dramatic Club during her junior year, as well as an energetic member of the Bee Tee Vie staff.

**LAURA MAY CARNAHAN—**  
Called "Carnie" for short usually has a come back of "So What?" when you say anything to her.

Because she is a blonde and has a fair complexion, her favorite color is blue.

She has no favorite song but likes any kind of popular music, and collects stamps as a hobby.

Robert Young and Joan Blondell are her favorite actor and actress, and First Nighter's her favorite program.

She was out for basketball her first three years in high school.

When a junior Laura May was a member of the Dramatic Club and a member of the Glee Club her freshman, sophomore, and junior years. This year she was a member of the Home Economics Club.

"Carnie" has been in five plays; one her freshman year, two her sophomore year, and two her junior year.

When you hear the click, click, click of a typewriter be sure to look twice because it may be "Carnie" sitting behind it filling in the position of stenographer.

**RONALD A. DANDO—Answers "Present" when you say "Ron."**

Ronald says his favorite song is "Thanks for the Memories", and that gold is his favorite color.

Although "Ron" did not go out for any sports he was very much interested in baseball and enjoyed seeing it being played.

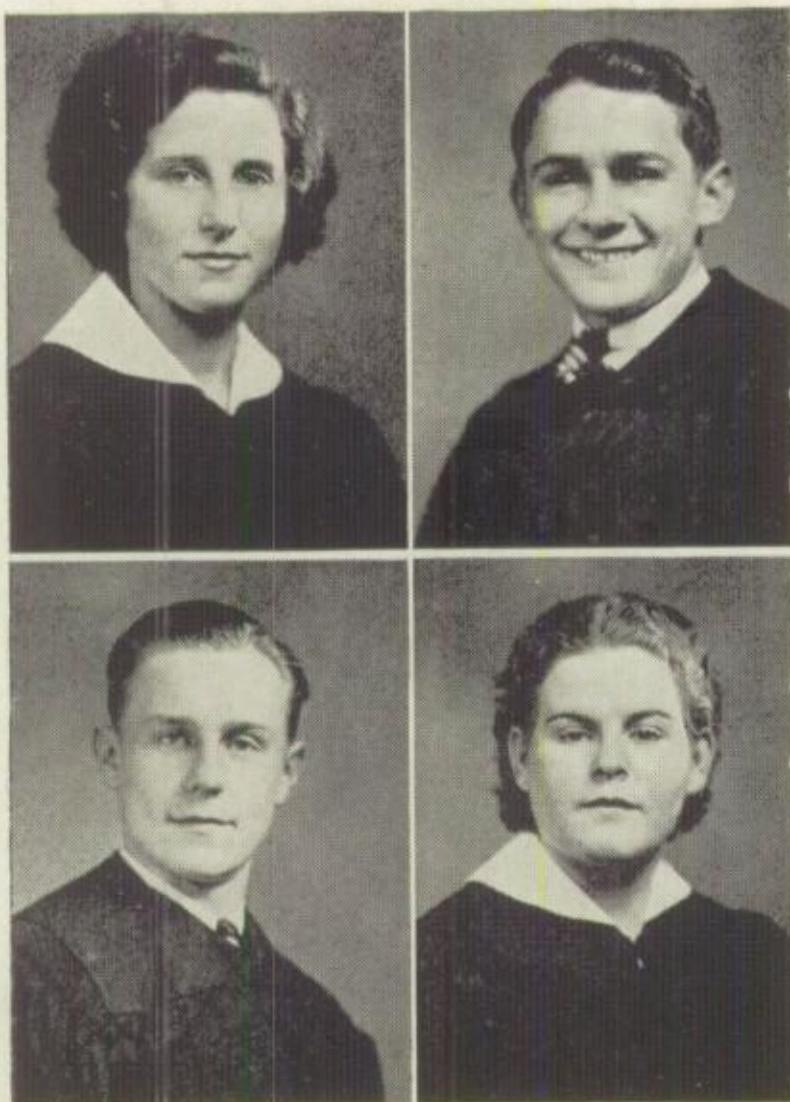
He likes to see Pat O'Brien and Alice Faye act on the screen.

Ronald held the position of class treasurer during his freshman year.

He likes to read detective stories and listen to Warden E. Lawes' program, "20,000 Years In Sing Sing."

**VIRGINIA M. LANDFAIR—A**  
girl in whom you can put your trust is "Ginger," one who is always ready to give a helping hand to anyone. She was born

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Virginia Landfair  
Joseph Franko

Frank Dovyak  
Ruth Lenz

in Avonmore, Pennsylvania, and now lives between Saltsburg and Avonmore crossroads. "Ginger" has been quite an active member of the class. She was secretary of her sophomore class and was assistant artist in this year's annual staff. Being interested in dramatics, she had one of the principle roles in last year's junior play, "Her Incubator Husband," and helped make it a grand success. She participated in the girls chorus and the quadrill dance in the high school operetta, "Ask The Professor."

"Ginger" has been a Home Economics Club member for the past two years; also a member of the Vocational Record staff. She has been singing in the Glee Club all four years of her

high school.

Virginia's pet expression is "You said it," her favorite color is blue. She listens to Charlie McCarthy and thinks a lot of Don Ameche. We imagine we'll find "Ginger" in Hollywood "doubling for Jane Withers."

**FRANK DOVYAK**—Known to his many friends as "Ky," was born in Wyano, Pennsylvania. "Ky", like most other boys, says he enjoys sports of any kind especially hunting, fishing, swimming, and football.

Frank likes to listen to "Death Valley Days" and most any orchestra. He came to our school when a sophomore, his freshman year having been spent in Saltsburg High.

"Ky's" favorite color is blue.

He says he knows every bump in the road from Slickville to Salina—he should because he has driven over it every school day for twenty-seven months. He has no favorite study; he likes them all about the same.

Myrna Loy, and Victor McLaughlin are his favorite movie stars and his hobby is reading Popular Mechanics.

"There's A Gold Mine In The Sky" seems to rate very high with "Ky", as he always likes to listen to someone singing it.

His motto is "Take your time and succeed."

**JOSEPH R. FRANKO**—A boy who is tall, well-built, and good-looking, better known to his

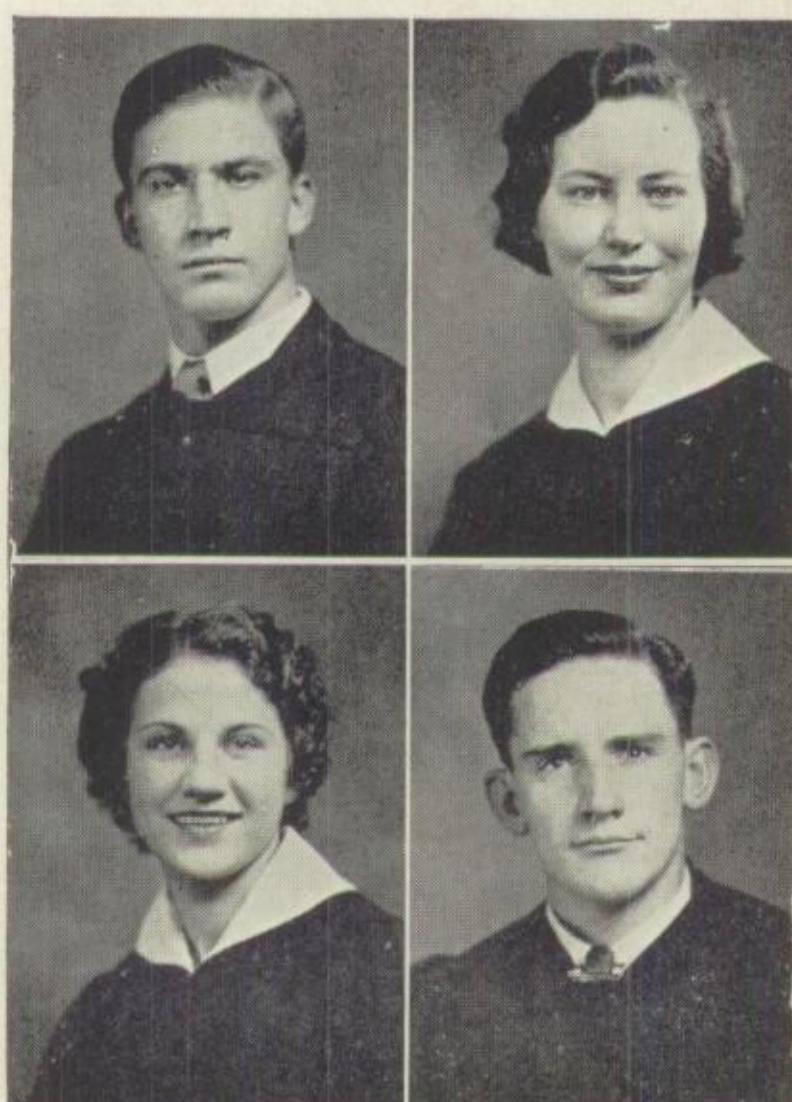
classmates and fellow students as "Joe." He was born in Tin-town, Pennsylvania, and has attended Bell Township Schools since his first grade. His hobby is fishing (and can he tell the fish stories). In his senior year he sort of "looked into the future" and along with some other boys, took boys' and girls' home economics. This is where "Joe" displayed his ability, for he baked the most delicious pies ever known. "Joe" has been a rather active student during his four years of high school. He played football and participated in several school plays, having quite an important part in "Her Incubator Husband." He also took part in the operetta "And It Rained."

RUTH H. LENZ—Usually answers to the name of "Kickie" but more often to that of "Lenz" and you're likely to hear her say "Well, how do you like that?" Ruth was born in Derry, Pennsylvania and went to Derry Township School for her first four years of schooling.

Due to a physical disability she was unable to continue playing guard on the varsity basketball squad, as she had previously done during her sophomore and junior years. Nevertheless she was an active member on the Bell Echo staff as exchange editor, business and circulation manager, and also the senior

representative for the Vocational Record. Ruth was one of the members of the Dramatic Club, belonged to the Home Economics Club and the Glee Club and on the Bee Tee Vie staff was assistant photographic editor.

One cannot tell whether it is just a hobby or poetic nature that induces Ruth to collect poems. She prefers to see Jeanette McDonald and Tyrone Power. Whether it is the Irish in her or some other reason that causes her to pick green as the favorite color we do not know. In the near future we see Ruth attending medical schools.



Clarence Hall  
Mollie Repos

Dorothy Manners  
Elmer Hall

CLARENCE HALL—"Scrubby" is short in stature, thus we can tell he and Elmer (who is his cousin) apart. He enjoys popular music by any orchestra. Hit

parade seems to be "tops" with him while he is listening to the radio programs. When it comes to colors, blue seems to be his favorite.

He attended Stewart grade school for eight years before he came to Bell Township High School.

Clarence has been a member of the F.F.A. since he was a sophomore, and joined the Student Patrol in his senior year.

His hobby is building radios. Clarence, however, says he doesn't build radios but "monkeys with them." He also enjoys swimming. "Scrubby" is a good-natured, forever-smiling fellow, who seldom talks, but when he does you have to listen closely; because he is a fast talker.

**DOROTHY A. MANNERS—**"Dot" enjoys saying "I'll betcha". She likes nothing better than to hear Guy Lombardo playing "Thanks for the Memories." Charlie McCarthy and his wise-cracks seem to receive all of her attention while he is on the air.

She attended Saltsburg and Elders Ridge schools before coming to Bell High School. She belonged to the Glee Club ever since she was a freshman. The Home Economics Club had her as a member in her junior and senior years. She also joined the Student Patrol when she was a senior. She took part in our operetta by being in a chorus

and a quadrille dance.

Her hobby is collecting snapshots. (We wonder how many she has of a certain redhead). Since she looks good in green, she chose it as her favorite color. In the movie world Alice Faye and Robert Young receive her admiration.

**MOLLIE ROSE REPOS—**She's the peppy little miss who can so often be heard calling "Hey, Ollie." She came here from Elrico school, and has been an active student from the start. Her first year found her a member of the Glee Club and one of the County Chorus. She has been a member of the Glee Club ever since. In her second year she belonged to the Dramatic Club. She took part in the operettas while a sophomore and junior. Mollie was the treasurer of the Student Council in her junior year and it's president while a senior. She was also president of the Home Economics Club in her senior year, and a member of it in her junior year. She was the captain of the girl members of the Student Patrol during her last year. As the sales manager of the Bee Tee Vie in her senior year, she did a grand job. She was librarian during her last year and had some time keeping the students quiet.

She likes the song, "Memories" played Kay Kyser's way. Since she looks good in blue, it is her favorite color, and her hobby is collecting souvenirs.

"Those We Love", in her opinion, is "tops" in radio entertainment. Her favorite movie actress is Myrna Loy; as for the actor, she doesn't like anyone in particular.

ELMER HALL—"Crane" or "Emmie". If you see some big boy teasing a girl in the senior room, usually you find it to be Elmer. No matter what you say to him, he always answers "Just try it." "Emmie" likes popular music played by any orchestra, and especially the song "Rosalie." He enjoys seeing Sonja Henie or Gene Autry in the movies.

Ever since he was a sophomore, he was a member of the F.F.A. and the Vocational Soft Ball Team. "Emmie" was on the football squad when he was a junior and on the varsity football team while a senior. He took part in "One in a Million", one of the plays presented while we were freshmen.

His hobby is working with engines. Because he has brown hair and brown eyes, he chose brown as his favorite color. He has a weakness for blondes—especially that certain one which hails from Saltsburg.

Elmer tells us that he is going to join the Navy—we can picture him, tall, dignified looking in his uniform.

PAULINE RUGH—The valedictorian of our class is one of its most outstanding members. She is talented in acting and has



Pauline Rugh  
Dean Hicks

Lawrence Harkleroad  
Vera Schall

taken parts in various plays, which talent should someday make a great actress of her.

Her favorite music is supplied by Horace Heidt and His Brigadiers. She likes songs when they are sung by Bing Crosby. She looks well in blue, her favorite color. Robert Taylor and Loretta Young are favorites on the screen.

"Rugh" was a student of the old Alcorn School for two years before she started attending here. Her scholastic abilities are well known and she deserves the honors she received.

She has taken part in seven plays and two operettas. She played varsity basketball in her first, third, and fourth years; was a member of the Bell Echo for four years; and a Glee Club-

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ber, freshman president, a member of the Student Council, and of the Dramatic Club. The position as editor of the Bee Tee Vie was also filled by "Rugh."

### LAWRENCE HARKLEROAD—

The next John L. Lewis was born in Saltsburg, so he argues. He is interested in farming and is going to be one if he can help it. He attended school in a schoolhouse, located "somewhars" in Washington Township, for three years before coming here.

When disgusted he lets loose with an involuntary, "Bah!"; when pleased he says, "Chass, chass." His favorite "color" is blonde (and brunette and redhead) especially when found on a girl's head. He has never missed a broadcast by Lowell Thomas and likes any program on the air. He likes no movie stars. He is so talented in arguing that he can argue the arm off an armchair.

For the last three years he has been an F.F.A. member and has tried out for mushball every year, reads Wild West stories (especially dime novels) and likes all girls.

DEAN E. HICKS—"Doc" is a well known figure around the school and is popular with all. He is sports editor of the Bell Echo staff and an editorial writer on the Bee Tee Vie.

In his junior year he served very ably as class president and did much to make the year a

success. He is very much interested in sports, though he cannot participate in them. This interest is someday going to raise him to the top as a sports commentator, and we wish him all the luck in the world.

His list of favorites include Jack Holt and Alice Faye as his favorite actor and actress; his orchestra music is supplied by Guy Lombardo, and he likes music when sung by Bing Crosby. Doc is a diligent listener of Phil Baker and listens regularly to all sports commentators. He prefers blondes in blue, his favorite colors.

He attended Bell Township schools all his life and likes school, we hope.

His favorite expression is, "Dang the luck." And, here's hoping you luck, Doc.

VEPA SCHALL—Vera walks from Edmon every morning to keep up her almost-perfect attendance record. In her eleven years of school she missed only a half day.

She attended Edmon grade school for seven years and came to Bell Township as a "Freshie".

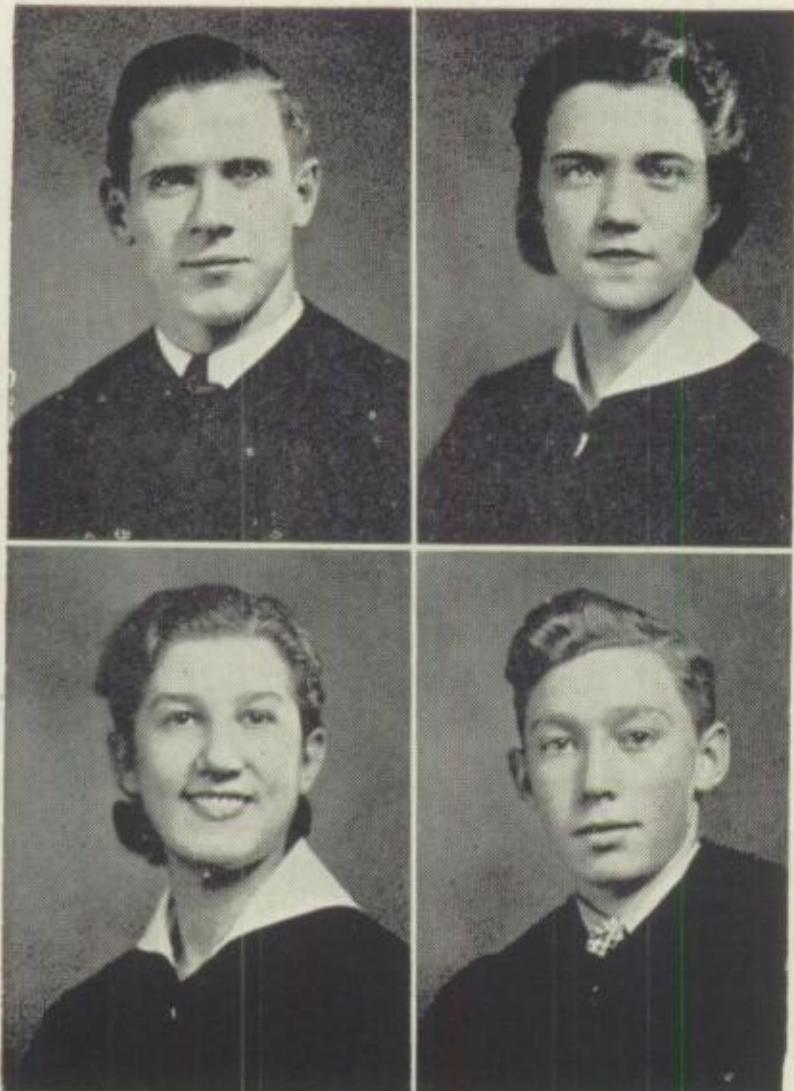
While here she was an active member of the class and took part in several plays and in both operettas. She was an active member of the Glee Club for her second, third, and fourth years. In her fourth year she was a member of the Student Patrol.

Her favorites are Wayne King's

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orchestra; her color is blue; and her favorite actress is Alice Faye. She makes a hobby of collecting snapshots of people.

In her senior year she was assistant editor of the Bee Tee Vie.



John Kontra  
Helen Turkovich

Mildred Shaffer  
Earl Momberger

**JOHN KONTRA**—John Joseph Kontra was born in Portage, Pennsylvania and now hails from Jamison, a "suburb" of Slickville, Pennsylvania. He has attended Bell Township High School for the past four years, having attended grade school at Elrico.

While attending high school at Bell Township John took part in football and baseball. He went out for football three years and made the team in his junior and senior years. John made the baseball team in his junior and

senior years. In his senior year he was on the Bee Tee Vie staff.

"Bei Mir Bist du Schoen", that tongue twisting tune, is claimed by John as his favorite. He also says that blue is his favorite color.

"Oh Yeah," that famous American expression, is John's pet phrase, and movies and dancing are his hobbies.

**MILDRED SHAFFER**—Mildred Shaffer, that quiet senior lass, who goes by the name of "Shaffer," was born in Salina. She matriculated at Clawson's School and Bell Township; receiving part of her grade schooling and all of her high school education at this institution.

Mildred says her hobby is collecting remembrances and her ambition is to become a school teacher. Her favorite piece of music is "Love and Devotion." She also plays the piano. "The Supper Time Frolic" over station WJJD, Chicago, claims her attention every evening 'round about six bells. Among the colors, Mildred picks blue as her first choice.

While attending high school at Bell Township, Mildred was in the glee club and the dramatic club in her sophomore year.

**HELEN TURKOVICH**—Helen, another of those quiet seniors girls, was born in Clairton, Pennsylvania. She has no particular nickname but answers when called Helen. She has attended grade school at Dilltown and Bell

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Township schools,

Collecting souvenirs is claimed by Helen to be her hobby. Her favorite song is "Thanks For The Memories" and favorite radio program is Shep Fields and His Rippling Rhythm Review. In the movie world Helen says Barbara Stanwyck and Nelson Eddy are her idols. She is another person who claims blue as her favorite color.

Helen was in the glee club and home economics club in her senior year.

**EARL E. MOMBERGER**—A tranquil young lad of the senior class is familiarly known to his classmates as "Con." Earl was born in Creighton, Pennsylvania—attended Stewart's Grade for eight years and four years at Bell Township High School. His favorite expression is "Is that so?" The color of blue appeals to him and double dares seem to make a hit with him because he likes the song "I Double Dare You" the best. His preference of a movie actor and actress is Joe Penner and Gracie Allen and the radio program Town Hall goes over big with him.

He measures five feet, seven inches, has light brown hair and his favorite sport is swimming. During his senior year he was a member of the F.F.A. and perhaps that accounts for some of his talent in carpenter work.

**OLLIE MARIE YAKIM**—Everyone knows the short, cheerful, young miss of the class of '38,



Ollie Yakim  
Stanley Repas

Steven Olek  
Anthony Rosnick

who is always with her friend, Mollie.

"Ollie" began her first eight years of education at Sloan's Public School. She proudly finished her fourth year at Bell Township High School.

She was an active member of her class, being a member of the Glee Club, Home Economics Club, and Student Patrol for the past two years. When a senior, she was on the editorial staff of the Bee Tee Vie and co-editor of the Vocational News Record.

When Alice Faye or Don Ameche plays a leading role in a moving picture, you are sure to find Ollie at the theatre. Ollie enjoys listening to "Ten Pretty Girls" played by any good orchestra. Her favorite radio pro-

gram is "First Nighter."

She tells us she likes the color pink.

Ollie is planning to become a stenographer or a bookkeeper. Since she is neat in her work, we are sure she will succeed in life.

**STEVEN J. OLEX**—Steve comes from the flourishing city of Tintown. He was born in Bitumen. He has attended his ninth year at Bell Township. Since Steve has brown hair and brown eyes, his favorite color is brown. When you mention girls to Steve, he does not blush—his face just gets red. He enjoys going to movies especially when Robert Young and Florence Rice are in the picture. As his hobby, Steve collects stamps. (Ask him someday to show you his collection). On Sunday nights you are sure to find Steve near the radio listening to Jack Benny.

Steve was probably one of the quietest and most good-natured fellows of our class.

**STANLEY J. REPOS**—"Stan" was born in Treesmill, Pennsylvania. He went to Elrico grade school for all his eight years, except the three months in 1933 when he attended Wadsworth School in Chicago. During these years and the four he spent in Bell Township High School, he was never without his sister at his side.

When a junior, he played as a substitute guard on the football team, but didn't go out his senior year because a certain

young lady made up his mind not to go.

"Stan" enjoys reading Popular Mechanics and Modern Science, especially the sections which give building diagrams and instructions. He has already made use of a number of these in making things for his home.

When you hear someone mumbling during class, just look around the room and you will find Stanley having an interesting conversation with the girls.

You are sure to find him at the theatre, when Ronald Coleman has the leading role.

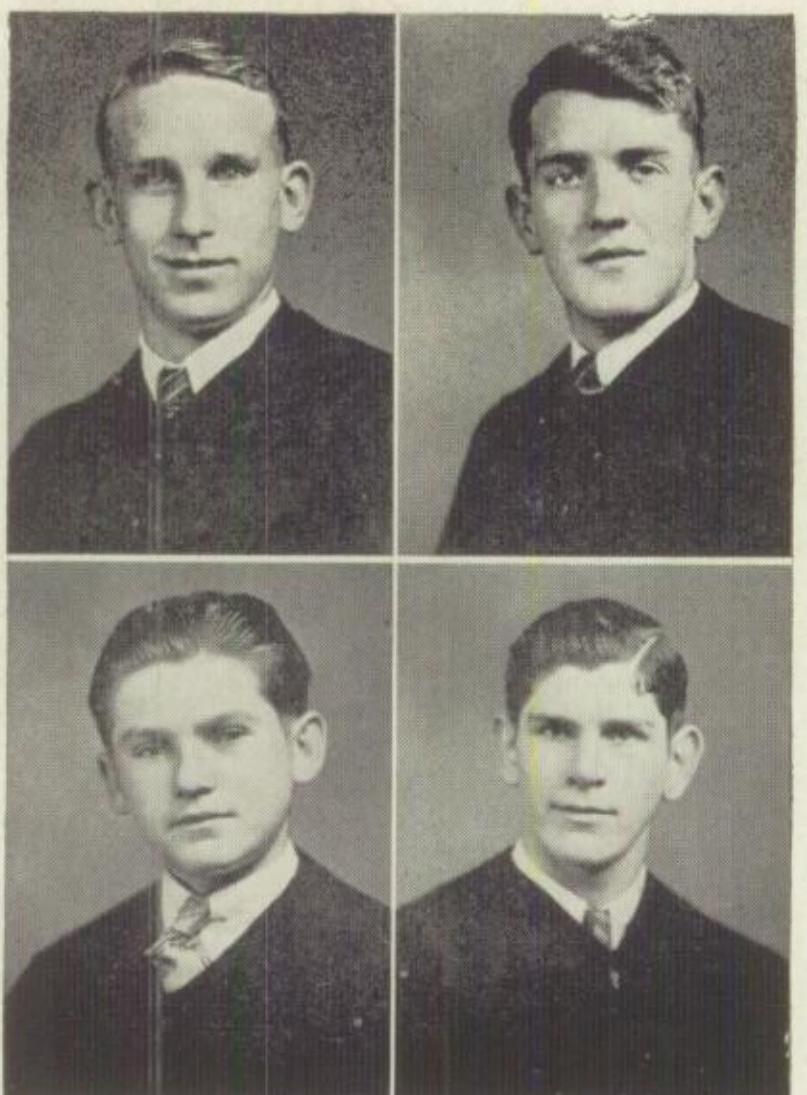
**ANTHONY EUGENE RESNICK**—The only boy of his class who answers to "Tony" is of course Anthony Eugene Resnick. He received his first eight years of education at Elrico Public School "Tony" has enjoyed his fourth year at Bell Township High School. He especially enjoyed his high school education because of a "local damsel".

"Tony" was an active member in athletics, and for the past three years was a member of the baseball team, and for several years, a great guard on the football team. We must not forget that Tony was sub forward on the basketball squad. He served three years on the Student Council, and in his senior year was the vice-president of the Council.

When "Tony" spies a comely miss, he almost invariably in-

quires "Who's that 'gal'?"

His favorite pastime is dancing and his favorite movie actors are James Cagney and Pat O'Brien.



Lysle Riffer  
John Shusko

Dale Schrecengost  
Leonard Stover

**LYSLE E. RIFFER—"Buzz"** was born in Kiski Township—is five feet six inches tall; has brown hair and blue eyes. He received his first seven years of schooling at Horrell's School, his eighth year at Edmon and the last four years at Bell Township High School. During his sophomore year he was president of the vocational sophomore class. Later in the same year he took part in the Travelogue, which was presented by the sophomore class.

Of course everyone has a favorite expression and his happens to be "Oh Yeah"; he pre-

fers "Rosalie" to all other songs and blue is his favorite color. His spare time is spent with dogs and guns; and, when listening to the radio, he likes "Death Valley Days." He is keen about Gene Autry and Kay Francis.

### DALE W. SCHRECENGOST—

A very quiet and bashful member of the senior class, known as "Schrec" was born in Armstrong County, near Avonmore, Pennsylvania. He received his first seven years of education at Horrell's Grade School, then was transferred to Edmon, where he spent his eighth year. He has been with us for four years. "Schrec" is six feet tall, has dark brown hair and gray eyes. He was out for basketball when a sophomore and was a substitute center in his last year. Dale belonged to the F.F.A. Club when a senior. When a junior he had a part in a class play "Her Incubator Husband". He collects coins as a hobby and claims that pineapple sundaes are his weakness. He likes to read adventure stories.

**JOHN A. SHUSKO**—Another "Shortie" of the class of '38; "Johnnie" is only five feet two inches tall. Born in Bell Township, he began his education at Sloan's Public School, going there eight years, and has attended Bell Township High School for four years.

He passes his leisure time reading fiction. Whether he

hears you speak to him or not, he almost invariably inquires "What did you say?" When the popular song hit, "Tip-i-Tin", came out, he immediately fell in love with it. "Johnnie's" favorite color is blue and he enjoys seeing Pat O'Brien and Fred MacMurray on the screen, and listens to Mr. Keene, ("Tracer of Lost Persons") and Death Valley Days. Carpentry is his hobby.

**LEONARD STOVER**— "Honus" was born on September 20, 1920 in the town of Salina. He attended Bell Township schools all his life and took part in all athletics at Bell Township High School. He played basketball for three years; football, four years; and baseball, three years.

Leonard has been blest with two nicknames, "Lefty" and "Honus".

"Lefty" says his favorite expression is "That's right," and that he enjoys all kinds of music but since he dances we're sure he prefers "jazz".

His favorite color is brown and he especially likes brown eyes.

Leonard never misses going to the movies when Stepin Fetchit is on the screen, and also listens to Guy Lombardo's orchestra regularly.

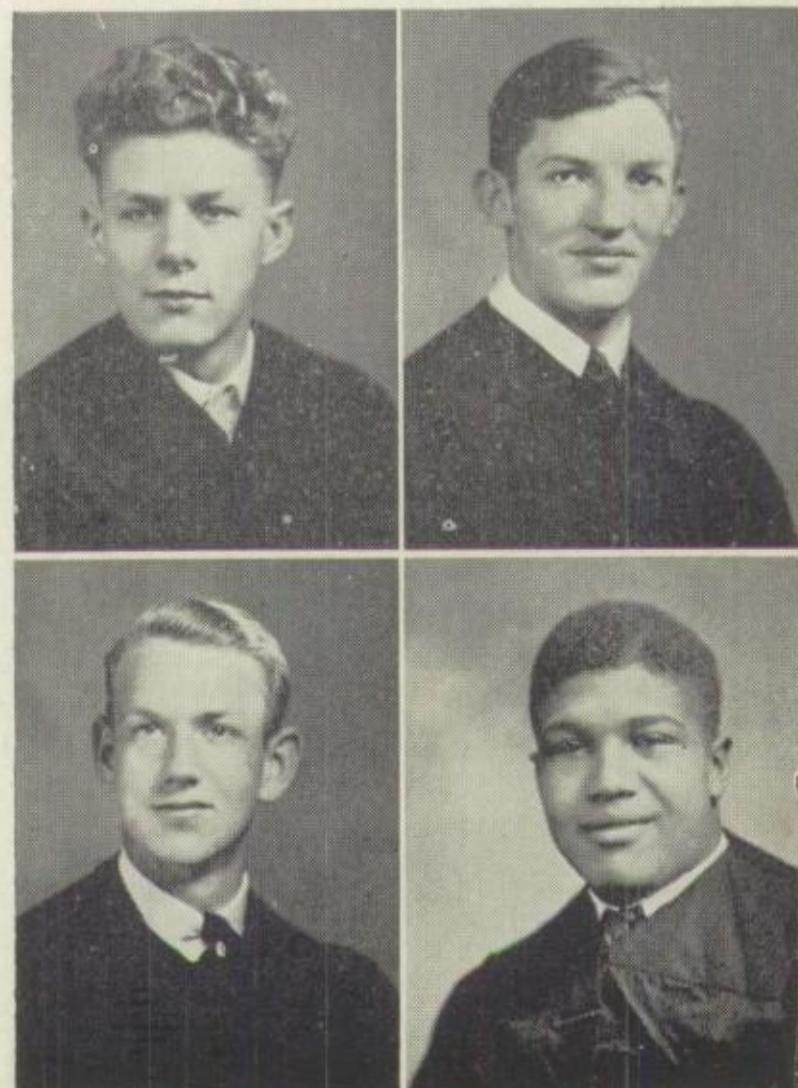
He says his hobby is sleeping and that he is especially talented in "hitch-hiking."

**FRANK SUCHECK**— Frank is that blond, curly headed senior boy who is called "Hank" by

all of his friends. He was born in Salina, Pennsylvania, and has resided there all his life. Frank is very often called "Shirley" and there's no need to wonder why. He has attended no other school but Bell Township.

"Hank" is good-natured, jolly, and generous, this is probably why he has won so many friends. He was an F.F.A. member in his senior year. His favorite sports are hunting and fishing but he admits that he enjoys playing tiddly-winks quite frequently. His favorite music is played by Shep Fields' orchestra. "The Three Stooges" are his pick from movie land.

Frank's special talent is impersonating and playing the guitar which he does very well, and you should hear him yodel!!



Frank Succheck  
William Whitesell

Dean Walker  
Ralph Woods

He is a member of "The Pioneers", a group of boys who sing and play cowboy songs.

**DEAN WALKER**—"Walker" is what he usually has to answer to, but that is just what the boys call him. When a girl wants his attention she most always says Dean.

Dean was born on a farm on Bell Township on June 26, 1920. Maybe being born on a farm accounts for his liking cowboys and cowboy music for it is said that his favorite radio program is Doc Williams' Border Riders and his favorite actor is Gene Autry.

Dean is one of those very few bashful boys that exist in this day and age. He does have a favorite color and it turns out to be blue.

His special talent is singing but it seems he keeps that to himself, too, because he is not the kind to broadcast his ability. Perhaps he does his singing while he is hunting, which is his hobby.

Dean attended Alcorn's school for the first three years of his school life. From there he came to Bell Township where he has been ever since. He caught for the Vocational Mushball team during his junior year.

**WILLIAM WHITESELL**—William, better to us as Bill, was born in Saltsburg on October 21, 1921.

As a Bell Townshipite, Bill was a successful football mana-

ger and played varsity basketball for three years. His record on the hardwood is one of credit.

Truxall has held a special attraction for Bill and her blue eyes may prompt him to prefer the color blue.

Pat O'Brien and Myrna Loy are two of his many screen favorites.

Surely Bill with his personality and athletic ability will be a successful basketball coach.

**RALPH WOODS**—If you were to call him Ralph he would look around to see where Ralph was, but say, "Hi, General" and he immediately with that favorite expression "Quiet, quiet please."

The bird we know as the stork brought Ralph into White Pines, Tennessee, on April 28, 1918.

After living in Tennessee for four years his family moved to Truxall where they are living at present.

Ralph isn't very often in a blue mood but says he likes blue especially well.

General played four years of football. The first three years he played halfback and during his senior year the coach shifted him to the quarterback position.

He says his biggest thrill was running 56 yards for a touchdown against Apollo.

He held the position of third baseman on the baseball team. We'll assure you there couldn't be a better one.

He likes the amateurs on Major Bowes' program who sing "The

One Rose." Surely there must be a special reason for this. Your guess is as good as mine.

NELSON KELLER—"Keller" was born near Blairsville but is considered a native of Bell Township since he has spent all of his school life except one year in Bell Township schools.

To most of the senior boys a girl is much more interesting than any class but not so to Nelson. He gets real pleasure out of doing Physics problems and laboratory work. With such an interest we can see him as a successful mechanic in the future.

For two years "Keller" was a faithful halfback substitute on the football squad and knows his football.

He is one boy who admits that eating is his favorite pastime, and "Aw, phooey!" is his favorite expression.



Mr. W. C. Smith

Mr. W. C. Smith hails from Lebanon, Pennsylvania, where his home has always been and where he attended both elementary and high school.

He received his higher education at Pennsylvania State College, from which he received a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural education in 1935.

Prior to his coming to Bell Township, Mr. Smith taught in the Bolivar High School, which still seems to hold a particular attraction for him.

After attending the 1937 summer session at Penn State, he came to our school as Vocational instructor and advisor to Vocational activity groups.

His college interests were along this same line; for he was business manager of the "Penn State Farmer," an agricultural publication, and a member of the Agricultural Student Council. His fraternity was Alpha Gamma Rho, a social agricultural one.

He enjoys collecting and reading poetry and is fond of music, both classical and otherwise.

Mr. Stephen G. Jacobs, who teaches mathematics and health as well as attending to numerous other duties, came to Bell Township High in the fall of '37.

He was born in Lansford, Pennsylvania, where he received his elementary and secondary school training.

His college is Muhlenberg, where he was graduated; although much of his physical education work was done at Stroudsburg State Teachers' College.



Mr. Stephen Jacobs

Since athletics are Mr. Jacobs greatest interest—with one possible exception—it is not surprising to know that he played three years of varsity baseball and football in college and was an All State Guard his senior year. He was also president of the Varsity M Club.

After leaving college he was athletic coach and science teacher at Morris Township High School and spent his summers as play ground instructor and assistant Boy Scout commissioner in Lansford.

Bell Township was fortunate indeed to find such a person to replace Coach Bruce, whose success and popularity made the job even more difficult. It is with a decided sense of loss that Bell Township congratulates Coach Jacobs on his new position as head football coach at Tyrone High School.



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After three weeks of hard and trying practice, the seniors, who were under Mr. Gerheim's direction throughout, finished their plans for graduation exercises. The following programs were carried out:

### SENIOR CLASS NIGHT

Friday, May 20, 1938, 8:00 P.M.

### "YOUTH MARCHES ON"

(A play based on present day economics)

#### SENIOR VESPER SERVICE

Sunday, May 22, 1938, 7:45 P.M.

Procession (Congregation standing)

Invocation

Hymn-----Chorus

Scripture Reading

Prayer

"Ave, Marie" (Lord God Almighty)-----Arcadelt—Girl's Chorus

Sermon-----Rev. Clarence B. Hower

Hymn-----Chorus

Benediction

Recesssion (Congregation standing)

### COMMENCEMENT

Monday, May 23, 1938, 8:00 P.M.

Procession (Audience standing)

Invocation

"I Passed by Your Window"-----Brake—Lucas—Girl's Chorus

"Problems of Youth"-----Chesna Browell

"Opportunities for Youth"-----Michael Fostar

"Lullaby"-----Noble Cain—Girl's Chorus

Address-----Mr. Robert Carson

"A Perfect Day"-----Carrie Jacobs—Bond—Girl's Trio

Awards and Presentation of Class-----Mearl F. Gerheim

Presentation of Diplomas-----Mr. George E. Willard

Acceptance-----Mollie Repos

Alma Mater

Benediction

Recession (Audience standing)

Aside from the formal exercises in graduation, the last program in which the seniors took part was Farewell Assembly. This was held on Tuesday, May 24 in the auditorium. At this program the seniors bid farewell to their teachers, fellow-students, and their dear old Alma Mater.

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### **FIELD MANEUVERS**



While the minds of the students are trained in the classroom, special talents are discovered and developed, personalities are unfolded in extra-curricular activities.

The students whose abilities lean towards journalism and art find opportunities for expression through the pages of our school paper, "The Bell Echo."

At Mr. Gerheim's suggestion that Bell Township High School have a newspaper, in the fall of 1932 the first staff was organized. A contest was held to find a name for the publication, and the one selected was "The Bell Echo," submitted by William George, '34. With Mr. Gerheim's assistance, the work was successfully carried on that year. This first volume of "The Bell Echo" was

printed. Miss Botsford and Mr. Mangery were appointed faculty advisors to the staff.

The next year Miss Botsford was again appointed faculty advisor, and the paper was, as before, printed.

During these first trying years, Mr. Gerheim's guiding hand was always there to aid in the development of "The Bell Echo."

During the school term of 1934-35, Miss Brookhart took over the duties of faculty advisor to the paper staff. This volume, too, was printed.

Then, in 1935-36, with Miss Hamilton as faculty advisor, the staff first undertook to make "The Bell Echo" a mimeographed paper. Since then, Miss Hamilton has retained her position as faculty advisor, and our paper has been a mimeographed one.

With money secured from a subscription campaign, the 1936-



Bell Echo Staff

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37 staff bought a mimeoscope. This device has greatly improved the appearance of "The Bell Echo," as has the typewriter which the School Board bought this past year.

The good work on the 1937-38 issues of "The Bell Echo" was done by a staff composed of Marie Burtyk as editor-in-chief and art editor; Pauline Rugh and Chesna Browell as her assistants; Ruth Lenz as business and circulation manager; Mary McBryer as her assistant, Dean Hicks as athletic editor; Harry Barker as athletic reporter; Mollie Repos as class news editor; Grace Freeman, Marjorie Sowash, and Marjorie Carnahan as feature editors; Freda Gerheim and Betty Carnahan as alumni news editors, William Kamperin, Irene Harkleroad, Florence Steele, Audrey Shoupe, and Alta Schroeder as reporters; Mike

Fostar as humorist; Phillip Macri and Bruce Pierce as printers; Carl Grantz as typist; and Eleanor Gross as his assistant. Miss Hamilton competently fulfilled the duties of faculty advisor for the third straight year. The staff worked under difficulties most of the term, because the new high school building was being constructed and half-day sessions of school were held. This year, for the first time, the "Bell Echo" staff joined the Kiski Valley Press Club. The club, composed of the newspaper staffs of various schools in the Kiski Valley, holds regular meetings for the purpose of discussing problems concerning the publication of a school paper. One of the highlights of the year was the annual Press Club banquet, held at Leechburg High School on April 25.

Those who are especially interested in developing brawn and



Football Squad

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muscular coordination, as well as brains, do so on the gridiron, the basketball floor, and the baseball diamond. One of the most popular of the sports is football.

The members of the squad were (front row, left to right) Dominic Palmiscno, Veryl Hicks, Franklin Bee, William Ripple, Carl Grantz, Joseph Lesko, Lewis Trincliisti, and Joseph Marchitelli. (Second row) Manager Sherman Frey, Charles Almes, Vincent Vantony, Ralph Woods, Captain Francis Reed, Leonard Stover, John Kontra, Edward Kempka, and Steve Kuzman. (Third row) Managers Robert McWilliams and Harry Barker, Lester Shaffer, Irad Wensel, Paul Merich, Robert Borgo, Elmer Hall, Martin Korchok, Anthony Resnick, Elmer Moore, Blair Deemer, Coach Jacobs, and Mr. Gerheim.

Starting practice in August 1937 under the new coach, Mr. Jacobs, the team soon struck its stride. The starting line-up was complete, filling out the line and backfield left vacant by last year's graduation of nine first-teamers. After a few weeks of practice the time for the first game at Turtle Creek rolled around.

On September the eleventh our team traveled to Turtle Creek for the annual good-will game. Of course being a larger and more powerful team they soon ran up the score, our boys fighting valiantly all the while. We

gained a moral triumph when we marched the ball down the field in a 60 yard drive and made a goal and the extra point. The score was 27-7.

Our next game, at New Kensington, was also a victory for the double As avenging a defeat at our hands the year before when we defeated them 14-6. The game was a hard fought affair, New Kensington failing to make a goal several times when at the five or ten yard line. Plastered with mud and tired out, our boys held New Ken to a 19-0 score. In this game, Shaffer, our end, broke his collar-bone.

Breaking into our own class we next took Elders Ridge for a ride to the tune of 32-0. In this game many of the second team saw service, many for the first time.

On October 2nd the boys next traveled to Pittsburgh to take on Shadyside Academy. The score was 14-7 and the Bell boys had the ball within a foot of the goal when the final whistle blew.

Avonmore was the next victim of our boys' better and bigger



The First String

football machine. Avonmore was rained, soaked, and all but snowed under to the dirge of 21-0. The field was muddy, slippery, and it was raining hard all through the course of the game.

Running up the biggest score of the season the boys took Ligonier for a walk by the score of 40-0. Ligonier threatened a few times, but showed little power.

In one of the best battles ever waged on the gridiron, Trafford and Bell Township fought tooth and nail in mud and rain to score 7-0 in favor of Trafford. Possessing one of the strongest teams in the county, Trafford was hard put to score seven points in the last two minutes of play. Bell Township had many chances to score, as did Trafford, but neither was able to fulfill the threat.

The taste of defeat still bitter, our boys drubbed Freeport 25-0 on October 30th. Practically every member of the team had a chance to play. Scoring in every quarter the Bell boys' plays clicked time after time, confusing Freeport more and more. The year before Freeport had tied the knot at 7-7 but the team ran all over them.

Traveling to McKeesport to meet the best team in Pennsylvania our boys met defeat to the tune of 45-0, a lower score than McKeesport ran up on most teams.

Armistice Day celebrated everywhere as a day of peace was

a day of fighting in Apollo when Woods ran wild and scored for us after a 60 yard run. The game was played on an ideal day for football—cool, blustery, and invigorating.

Traveling to South Huntington the boys met defeat and so closed a very successful season. The game was fought on one-half the field, the other half being filled with spectators.

In "B" games Bell Township scored 92 points as compared to 21 for their opponents. In all games, both class "AA" and class "B" Bell Township 118 points to the opponents 105 points.

All in all it was a very successful season and showed Coach Jacobs that Bell Township had the material and could go places even under a new coaching system. Well done, boys; and better luck against Trafford and South Huntington next year.

Part of the success of our football depends upon the cheerleaders and the student-body. Early in the season of 1937, ten persons reported to try out for positions on the cheerleading squad. These were coached by veteran cheerleaders Grace Freeman, Michael Fostar, and Chesna Browell. From this group were elected Betty Jean Shaffer, Richard Nelson, and Nick Fostar.

These six people made up the cheerleading squad for 1937-38; from left to right are Betty Jean,

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Chesna, Grace, Mike, Nick, and Dick.



Cheerleaders

At the "pep" meetings which were held in the auditorium before each game, the cheerleaders performed in their best style, leading the student-body; in cheers and songs. The walls trembled and the roof raised when the group, divided into two parts, shouted.

When their enthusiasm was at its highest, it was frequently expressed vocally in the athletic songs.

With the close of football season interest was directed toward the basketball floor.

Those who showed their ability on the basketball floor were reading left to right, front row; Betty Carnahan, Chesna Browell, Pauline Rugh, Viola Caldwell, Grace Freeman, and Helen Filler.

Second row; Freda Gerheim, manager, Galia Sparber, Betty Jean Shaffer, Betty Gerheim, Alfaretta Moore, Olive True, Louise Walters, Coach Jacobs, and Mr. Gerheim.

When basketball season opened, our girls were sorry to learn that Mr. Gerheim, coach here for six years, would no longer instruct them, but at the same time, rejoiced when told that a new coach, Mr. Jacobs, was to take over his duties.

After about two months of practice they staged their opening battle with the Elders Ridge lassies. The girls were not very



Girls Basketball Squad

confident the first quarter because of losing four star players at graduation time last year. However it was a hard fought victory for the Belles with plenty of fouls being called on both teams. At the end of the game the score was 27-24. Caldwell scored fifteen points, thus being high scorer of the evening.

On January fourth, Elders Ridge traveled to our "Alma Mater" where our girls won their second consecutive game. The Ridge girls started off with a bang, scoring eight points in the first quarter. This however was not discouraging to the Belles because they came back and finally won the game by the score of 26-25. The winning point was made by "Bunker" Caldwell when she made her shot good from the foul line.

The third straight victory was won on the locals' gym when they took over the Saltsburg girls. Every player on the squad was given a chance to play in this game and the second team was substituted twice. The game ended with an overwhelming score of 40-17. Rugh captured scoring honors with a total of nine points.

On January 14th they met their first defeat when they opposed the Franklin Township girls on the latter's floor. At the half, the scoreboard showed 24-4 in favor of the opponents. In the last half the Belles rang up seventeen points to Frank-

lin's ten. But this was still defeat and they took it on the chin like all good sports should.

Then came the opportunity of playing against their greatest rivals—Avonmore. The game was staged in Avonmore's gym. Our girls blanked the Avons in the first quarter, but the tables were turned in the second quarter with the Avon sextet scoring seven points to our one. However, our girls came through victorious and the score was 24-18. Browell led the locals with ten points.

An "iron man" act was displayed when our girls played and won two games on February 8th. At 4:00 o'clock they welcomed Turtle Creek and then trounced them by a score of 37-17. Caldwell captured honors by scoring sixteen points. They ended a perfect day by beating the Saltsburg lassies 46-29. Browell scored eighteen points in this contest. These games were the sixth and seventh victories of the season.

February 11th, the girls met the Franklin girls on their own floor and shellacked them to the tune of 37-21. The Belles had the upper hand throughout the game. Viola Caldwell scored fourteen points, thus leading all players in this department.

On February 15th, they won their ninth battle by again taking over their rivals from up the valley—Avonmore. The score was 24-7. "Spunky" Browell

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paced the locals with eleven markers.

For the third time in three years the Bell Township girls' basketball sextet advanced to the semi-finals in the A.M.A. tourney at Pittsburgh. The first year they were defeated by Elizabeth High School. The second and third years they took it on the chin from that very fine Glassport team.

The opening round of games began on Monday evening, February 28th when the Belles took on the Lone Wolves sextet and defeated them by a 55-31 score. Pauline Rugh chalked up fourteen baskets and three shots from the foul line to give her a total of thirty-one points.

Elizabeth High School was met in the quarter finals on the following Friday evening and the local girls defeated them 26-19. Pauline Rugh again paced the Belles with fifteen counters.

In the semi-finals, which was the third game played by our girls, they were defeated by Glassport, champs for two years. The score was 57-30 with Browell, Rugh, and Caldwell all garnering ten markers apiece.

Presented from left to right, in the front row, we have Dominick Palmiscno, Harry Barker, William Whitesell, Anthony Resnick, William Ripple; (Second row) Manager William Schreccengost, Edward Kempka, Elmer Moore, Donald Lenz, Robert McWilliams, Francis Reed, and Lester Shaffer, who represented Bell Township, and Mr. Gerheim and Coach Jacobs.

Basketball teams at Bell Township have not been successful in scoring victories in recent years and the 1937-38 campaign was no exception. The squad had a new coach at the helm in the person of Stephen Jacobs.

The team was victorious in



Boys' Basketball Squad

one game, a win over Saltsburg, and were defeated on thirteen different occasions. They finished in the cellar of Section XXII of the WPIAL with no wins against eight reverses. In the scoring department the Bell Boys garnered 280 markers while the opposition collected 388. Apollo scored the most counters against the locals in a single game by garnering 46 markers on their home court. The best our boys could do in one game was score 37 points against Saltsburg when they were victorious 37-12.

The opening game of the season was played at Vandergrift against the Vandergrift Lancers and the Bell Boys came off the court on the short end of a 45-15 score. Harry Barker, who played forward during the entire season, led the locals in scoring with three field goals and two good free throws from the foul line for a total of eight points. This was the first time that a Bell Township squad had engaged Vandergrift High School on the hardwood for a number of years. The two teams were to have met in Salina later in the season but bad weather made the transportation difficult and the encounter was cancelled.

Elders Ridge was scheduled to be met in the next two contests of the exhibition season. Our boys put up hard scraps in these games but lost by a 23-21 score on the Ridge floor, and

24-17 at Salina. Barker led the local attack in both games with twelve and nine points for the first and second games.

The next contest was played at Salina with Washington Township where the Blairton coached lads copped the fray by an eight point margin, winning 20-12. This was the opening game in Section XXII of the WPIAL.

The locals' losing streak was extended to nine straight after the next five games had been played. Franklin Township, Avonmore, Apollo, Saltsburg, and Washington Township being victorious in that order. The game with Saltsburg went into overtime and Saltsburg scored the winning goal in the last ten seconds of play.

The eighth of February proved to be a lucky day for the Bell Township team when they easily conquered Saltsburg 37-12.

Franklin Township ended this short lived streak at Salina when they captured a hard fought game from the Bell Boys, 20-15. Avonmore and Apollo put our boys deeper in the cellar of section XXII, when they each gained their second win over the locals in as many starts.

The Westmoreland County Tourney was the grand finale as the local lads went down to defeat at the hands of Franklin Township for the third straight time, losing 41-22.

Next year Barker, Whitesell,

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Resnick, and Stover will be missing, but with other fellows coming along and the new gymnasium for the home games, Bell Township should produce a better team.

For the third consecutive year Bell Township High School entered a baseball team in WPIAL competition. The local nine was placed in Section VII with Kittanning, Apollo, and Avonmore.

The team took the field this season under the direction of a new coach, Mr. Stephen Jacobs, who gave the boys the benefit of his baseball knowledge which he acquired in his playing days. Most of the players comprising last year's squad returned this season and there were few changes in the starting lineup. Barker, who played short during the '37 campaign, was moved over to the keystone position and Dominick Palmiscno was brought in from right field to fill

the gap at shortstop. The only other change found Ralph Woods being relieved of his infield duties and given the job of fly-chasing in the outer garden.

At the time of this writing the local team had won three straight Section VII games and were well on their way to the league title.

The Bell Boys played an exhibition fray with Saltsburg on April 14 and were victorious over the Indiana Countians by a 10-0 score. Stover and Kontra limiting them to two hits.

Playing their first encounter in Section VII, Bell Township was on the long end of a 13-5 count in their game with Kittanning. Kempka, Stover, and Kontra were on the mound for the locals with Kempka getting credit for the victory.

The Apollo Tigers were the next victims of the Bell Township attack when they were smothered under a 19-1 score.



Baseball Squad

## BEE TEE VIE

Kempka went the route for his second triumph of the season.

Ralph Woods' high school baseball career came to an end on April 26 when he and his teammates garnered their third straight league victory by troubling Avonmore, 10-3.

The official student administrative organization is the student council.

It was organized in the school term of 1933-34 under Mr. Gerheim's supervision. The purposes of the Student Council are as follows:

- (1) To unify all student organizations under one general control.
- (2) To aid in the internal administration of the school.
- (3) To promote general activities of the school.
- (4) To foster sentiments of law and order
- (5) To develop in the student a growing appreciation of mem-

bership in a democracy by providing the educative responsibilities of, and privileges of participating in, such a democracy in the school.

- (6) To promote in all ways and at all times the best of the Bell Township School.

In the past few years the council has taken care of the assembly programs, bulletin boards, lost and found department, and has helped direct the Student Patrol.

This year the Student Council helped to organize the new accounting system for student activities.

The proposed constitution of the council states that the principal along with the two other faculty advisors must be on the staff each year plus members from each class.

The council members this year were as follows:

Mollie Repos, president; Anthony Resnick, vice president;



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Ollie Yakim, secretary; Bruce Pierce, treasurer; Helen Filler, Dominick Palmiscno, junior representatives; Marlin Riffer, Ida Sabo, sophomore representatives; Alfaretta Moore, August Palmiscno, freshmen representatives; Robert Rupert, eighth grade representative; William Bateman, seventh grade representative.

The executive representatives of the student body are the members of the student patrol.

Front row, left to right—Denny Moore, Blair Fennell, Thomas Whitesell, Edwin McDivitt, Sherman Frey, Chalmers Kelly, and Philip Gerheim.

Second row—Robert Shondelmeyer, Charles Kocka, Richard Almes, Natalie Romeo, Irad Wensel, (captain), Carl Kuhns, Clifton Shaffer, James Mann, William Watkins, and Stephen Slosarik.

Third row—Ida Uptegraph,

Mathilda Moglia, Freda Gerheim, Frances Miller, Lee Vergia Smith, Betty Clawson, Vera Schall, Frances Boyd, Dorothy Manners, Ollie Yakim, and Mollie Repos.

Fourth row—Millard Goodrich, Clarence Hall, Carl Grantz, Paul Seben, Steele Bell, Gerald May, Albert Mitchell, and Franklin Bee.

The Student Patrol was organized in December of the 1932-33 school term. Although the organization of a student patrol had been talked about before, nothing was done about it until a very serious accident occurred.

The students who belong to this organization aid fellow students where there are traffic hazards and keep order in the buses and halls.

A captain is elected by the group to station the members at the correct location.

Last year it was decided to



Student Patrol Squad

permit girls to join the student patrol. The girls then took over the duty of keeping order in the halls and also on the streets if necessary.

Irad Wensel was elected captain of the boys; Mollie Repos, captain of the girls.

Several of the activities that deal purely with the vocational department of the school are the Home Economics Club, Future Farmers of America, Mushball, and the Vocational News Record.

In the picture below you will find the members seated left to right; first row—Ollie Yakim, Marie Burtyk, Laura May Carnahan, Louise Walters, Mollie Repos, Olive True, Pauline Deemer, Luby Suseck, and Frances Miller; second row—Lee Vergia Smith, Betty Gray, Helen Skoczypiec, Rose Malami, Ada Garris, Ida Uptegraph, Mary Safko, Louise Slack, Ida

Testa, Anna Petrosky, Mary Vnuk, Luby Latina, Eleanor Gross, and Mary Guthrie; third row—Ruth Lenz, Ruth McComb, Mary Hall, Catherine Posney, Veda McMunn, Katherine Chicola, Mary Machulsky, Virginia Rearick, Inez Shoupe, Virginia Landfair, Helen Turkovich, Dorothy Manners, and Frances Boyd; fourth row—faculty advisor Miss Fennell, Irene Harkleroad, Dorothy Walters, Thelma Neighly, Laura Bortz, Katherine Pendlyshok, Ida Sabo, Mary McBryer, Gertrude Bukaski, Beryl Bell, Dorothy Remaley, Teresa Rossi, Stella Hall, Wilma Detman, and Bernice Richards.

These girls have all been enrolled in the Vocational Course.

The club was first organized in the fall of 1936 under the supervision of Miss Fennell, the Home Economics instructor.

The worthy aims of the club



Home Economics Club

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were to develop professional spirit and cooperation among the members; offer an opportunity for the girls of the department to show the rest of the school and its patrons their activities; develop personality, leadership, initiative, and social poise; advocate the wise use of spare time, form a closer contact between the home economics department and the rest of the school; and bring together for united effort the various class groups studying or interested in home economics.

The members, who held positions in the club, were Marjorie Sowash, president; Wilma Detman, secretary; and Pauline Deemer, treasurer. Only the freshmen and sophomores held offices because the junior and senior girls never got together to elect their officers.

In the school term of 1937-38 they re-organized with Miss Fen-

nell still their faculty advisor. The students were elected as follows; Mollie Repos, president; Marjorie Sowash, vice president; Carrie Richey, secretary; and Eleanor Gross, treasurer.

The Future Farmers of America were (front row, left to right) Earl Momberger, William Whitesell, Francis Reed, Vincent Vantony, Elmer Hall, Sherman Frey, and Paul Dunmire; (second row) Joseph Marchitelli, Clarence Hall, Elmer Dean Walker, Dale Schrecengost, Carl Grantz, William Ripple, and Mr. Smith; (third row) Edward Boyd, Lawrence Harkleroad, Carl Kuhns, Irad Wensel, and Albert Mitchell.

The club was organized in 1934-35 under the leadership of Mr. C. F. Shaulis, who has left Bell Township High School and whose position now is filled by Mr. W. C. Smith.

This year Elmer Moore was



F. F. A.

elected president; Francis Reed, vice president; Irad Wensel, secretary; and Albert Mitchell, treasurer.

Meetings were held twice every month in the shop.

Following the same routine as previous years the members of the organization went to Harrisburg to see the "Farm Show."

The same time the F.F.A. was organized Mr. Shaulis, started a mushball team. The members seemed to enjoy it very much so now it has become a school activity.

Mr. Smith has now taken over the mushball team along with the F. F. A. organization. The line-up of the team this year was William Whitesell, pitcher; Dean Walker, catcher; Vincent Vantony, first base; Elmer Moore, second base; William Ripple, third base; Francis Reed, shortstop; Carl Grantz, rover; Irad Wensel, left field; Frank Suseck, center field; Robert Carnahan, right field.

The substitutes were August Palmiscno, Harry Maust, Robert McCullough, Patrick Posney, Sherman Frey, Dale Schrecengost, Earl Momberger, Elmer Hall, and Lawrence Harkleroad.

The Vocational News Record is the vocational paper published for the first time this year. The aim of the paper was to keep the rest of the school and other schools well informed as to what was going on in the vocational

departments. It is published twice a month by the members of the Home Ec Club and the F. F. A. More interest is shown in their project work since the projects are published in the issues of the paper. The vocational students are working hard to make this paper a success.



Vocational News Record Staff

The members of the staff are editor—Carl Grantz; co-editors—Ollie Yakim, Albert Mitchell, and Carl Kuhns; printers—Luby Suseck and Elmer Moore; business and circulation managers—Frances Miller and Sherman Frey; typist—Irad Wensel; and assistant—Virginia Landfair. The faculty advisors are Miss Fennell, who has charge of the Home Economics and Mr. Smith, the Vocational Agriculture teacher. Ruth Lenz—'38, Ida Uptegraph—'39, Mary McBryer—'40, Eleanor Gross—'41, Alta Schroder—'42, and Jane Piper—'43, are class representatives. They write about the work that they do in their classes.

Those students who wish to lend their voices to the school, when necessary, organized a Glee Club.

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The members of the club, seated from right to left, were front row—Galia Sparber, Margie Hicks, Betty Gerheim, Elizabeth Rice, Marion Ashbaugh, Marjorie Bowman, Ida Uptegraph, and Frances Boyd.

Second row—Elaine Lease, Ida Sabo, Luby Sucheck, Dolores Kralik, Joan Whitesell, Rose Malami, Gladys Muffley, Betty Carnahan, and Betty Jean Shaffer.

Third row—Helen Skoczypiec, Vera Schall, Barbara Sucheck, Mathilda Moglia, Marie Burtyk, Ollie Yakim, Mollie Repos, Mary McBryer, and Ruth McComb.

Fourth row—Mildred Shaffer, Betty Gray, Lee Vergia Smith, Helen Clawson, Louise Slack, Louise Walters, Betty Clawson, Helen Turkovich, Virginia Landfair, and Dorothy Manners.

Fifth row—Clorinda Vantony, Inez Shoupe, Teresa Rossi,

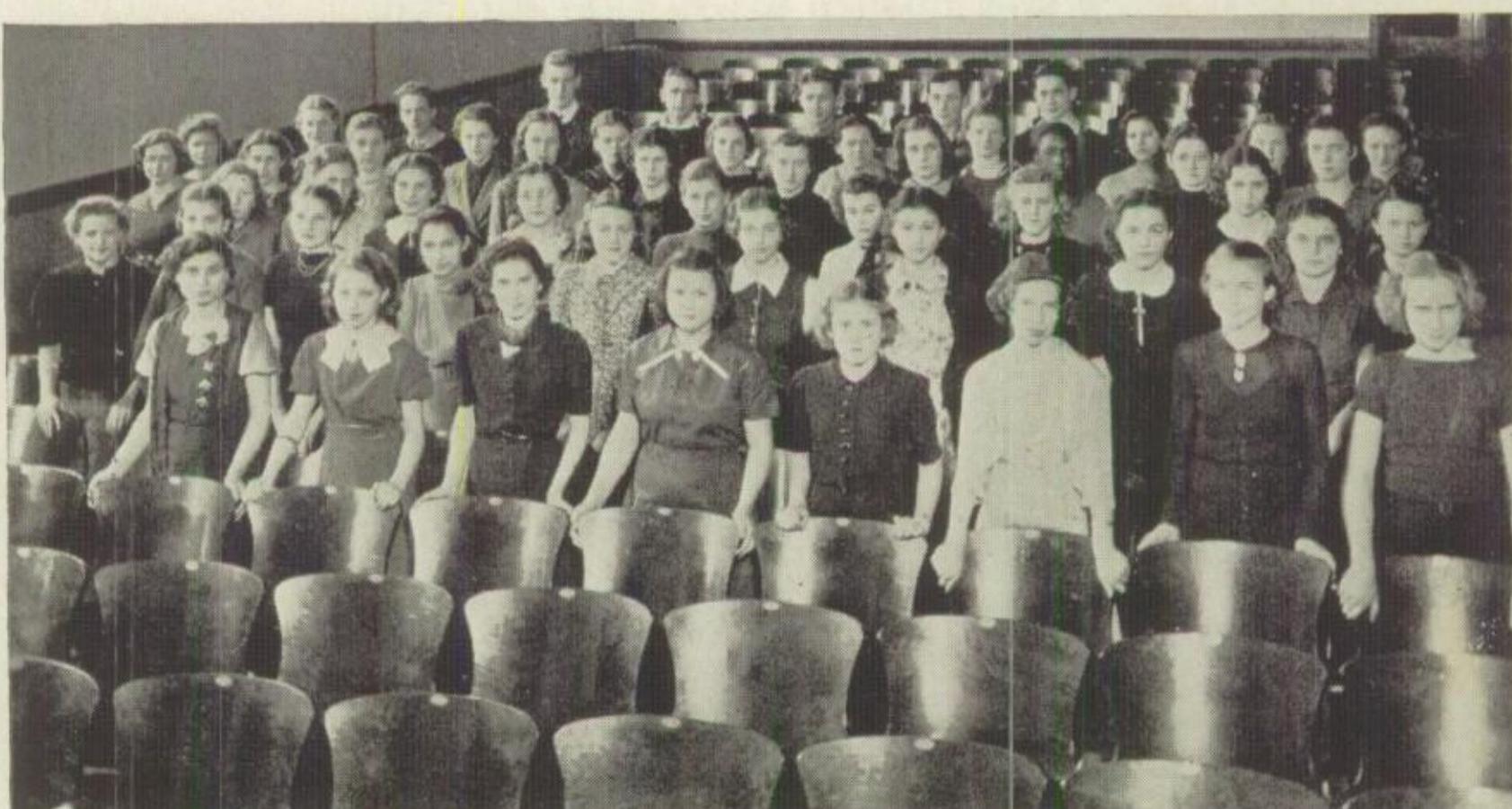
Mary Machulsky, Catherine Chicola, Edith Lease, Ruth Lenz, Dorothy Walters, Laura Bortz, and Velma Bussard.

Sixth row—Michael Fostar, William Schrecengost, Carl Grantz, Irad Wensel, Carl Kuhns, and William Guthrie.

The first Glee Club was organized during the school term of 1934-35 under the direction of Miss Whitesell. Mary Dydiw was elected president; Virginia Weister, vice president; and Mildred Medic, treasurer.

During the first year the members went to Greensburg to sing for the Westmoreland County Teacher's Institute; the same chorus went to Pittsburgh to broadcast several selections.

After the club was organized it was much easier for a commencement chorus to be selected because the ones who were in the club were expected to take part. In both operettas the choruses



Glee Club

were selected from the glee club.

Until half-day sessions of school the club met at a regular time in Miss Whitesell's room; since then, it meets whenever necessary and appropriate.

On the 30th of April, 1938, the girl's chorus went to Mt. Pleasant to sing in the Musical Festival which is held yearly.

Dramatic ventures, which usually are prominent in our year's program, were not so numerous as usual because of the change in schedule. The only attempts were a group of one act plays and a minstrel.

All classes participated in the presentation of the plays and also reaped a share of the financial reward, which paid for the class and activity group pictures in this publication.

"He Ain't Done Right By Nell" an old fashioned melodrama directed by Miss Brookhart was presented by the junior and senior classes. A penniless waif, a hard hearted and relentless villain, and three other characters produced the thrills, chills, and pathos, as well as a great deal of laughter.

The story centers around Nell Perkins, a waif who was sad and happy at the same time, played by Chesna Browell; Granny Perkins, her garrulous and querulous grandmother, acted by Pauline Rugh; Jack Logan, Nell's misunderstood sweetheart, portrayed by Harry Barker; Hilton

Hayes, the villain, enacted by Vincent Vantoney; Laura (Lolly) Wilkins, the town gossip, played by Freda Gerheim; and Vera and Burkett Carleton, the saving entities of the poor waif, acted by Helen Filler and William Campbell.

The play which was presented by the freshman and sophomore class, entitled "Elmer", was directed by Miss Alcorn.

The son of the Collier family is as any brother would be around twin sisters who are very pretty and conceited. The youngest sister is imposed upon by the twins but is defended by her brother. Elmer, the young brother, was played by Robert Almes and Thomas Whitesell; Jeanie and Janie, the imposing twins, enacted by Gladys Muffley and Betty Carnahan; Susan, the youngest sister, portrayed by Elizabeth Rice; Mrs. Collier, the mother who was inclined to favor the twins, was Ida Sabo; Miss Pinney, the dressmaker, played by Irene Harkleroad; Fannie Bell, the colored maid, by Mary Hall; Hubert, the ideal young man to all but Elmer, by Arthur Prusack; Russ, Hubert's pal, by Charles Barclay; and Pansy, the dog.

"Her Blessed Boy" the play presented by the seventh and eighth grades, was directed by Miss Hamilton.

The play centered around an average American family that was preparing for a special oc-

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casion. In it you sympathized with Mrs. Tingle (Gertrude Hoffman); danced with Aunt Faith (Gertrude Rumbaugh), primped with Helen (Alma Jane Shaner), envied Edith's (Sophia Karaffa) chocolate bars, wanted to help Betty (Betty McCracken) carry home her borrowings, laughed at Eileen's (Alta Schroder) harmless superstitions, played and fought with Charles (Dick Nelson) and Howard (Philip Gerheim), wanted to modernize Aunt Virginia (Elsie Cavazza), and loved the "Blessed Boy" (Lewis Clawson). Others who were on the cast were Robert Rupert who played Dennis Malone, Eileen's brother; Vera Mae Shoupe portrayed Mrs. Michael Malone, Dennis' and Eileen's mother; Junior Clawson enacted Tom Tingle, the oldest Tingle boy and Aunt Faith's champion. Four minor characters were Gloria King, Merian Frey, Richard Almes, and Harry Flick.

Musical numbers were offered between acts by Alta Schroder and Philip Macri.

The last dramatic offering of the year was a "Minstrel" held by the Athletic Association on May 11th. An enjoyable evening of jokes, songs, and thrills was had by all. Those who helped to give this evening of entertainment were as follows: the interlocutor, Carl Grantz; end men, Bones and Sambo, were Vincent

Vantony and William Ripple, respectively; Jiggs (Irad Wensel); Paducas (Floyd True); Mr. Gimme (Veryl Hicks); Sunshine (Elmer Moore); Rastus (Robert Carnahan); Jake (Thomas Whitesell); Bill (Philip Macri) and Boob (William Campbell). In the afterpiece Mike Fostar portrayed Doctor Courtney; Mary, his daughter, enacted by Chesna Browell; Jack Rollins, Mary's sweetheart, played by Francis Reed; and Sam, by William Campbell.

News of the day is discussed by the "world-wonderers" of the junior high school in their current events club.

This group of students, reading from left to right and beginning with the front row, are Robert Rupert, Charles Eckenrode, Charles Clawson, Jr., Elsie Cavazza, Gertrude Hoffman, Alma Jane Shaner, Mary Guthrie, Nancy Kuhns, Miss Snively, William Bateman, Lewis Clawson, Edwin McDivitt, Richard Almes, and Harry Flick, members of the Current Events Club. The president, Alta Schroder, is standing at the front.

During the school year of 1934-35 the eighth grade organized a story telling hour once a week. Members of the class came only if interested. Toward the close of the school year, they invited the seventh graders.

## BEE TEE VIE

The newcomers enjoyed the current event idea so much that they decided to organize a club which would be limited to current events. Therefore in September 1935 the Current Event Club was born. Since then the eighth graders have been eligible to participate provided they have a study hall scheduled at the hour of the club meeting.

The club of 1936-37 paid monthly dues, and sold candy. They donated five dollars which has been put into a sinking fund, the purpose of which is to purchase curtains for the windows in the auditorium, thereby making it possible to show movies and lantern slides in the school assemblies.

This year's club, 1937-38, paid no dues and raised no money. They have had their meetings in the afternoons owing to half-day sessions.

The club, with Alta Schroder

as president, Robert Rupert as vice president, Gertrude Hoffman, as secretary, and Alma Jane Shaner as treasurer, plan to conclude this year's activities with a picnic supper at the Clawson dairy farm.

The literary society of the junior high school is the "Broadcasters Club."

It was late in the term when the Broadcasters finally had the opportunity to meet and initiate their new members. For this reason only pictures of the eighth grade members appear below. They are; front row—Clair Caldwell; second row left to right—Robert Rupert, Jean Tickle, Helen Deemer, Frances Harris, Clair Garris; back row left to right—Robert Gartley, Robert Shondelmeyer, Pat Franzi, Frank Franzi, Charles Kocka, and Joe Bellon.

The other members are; Mary Fuchofer, Mary Novosel, Emilio



Current Events Club

Abate, Tony Schotti, Dick Barker, Nick Fostar, Elsie Cavazza, McKay Edder, Philip Gerheim, Betty Simpson, Betty McCracken, Mary McCullough, Audry Shoupe, Marian Shoupe, Jane Piper, Hazel Shondelmeyer, Elizabeth Wiehe, Dorothy Jean George, Alberta Detman, Millard Goodrich, Billy Watkins, Richard Nelson, Charles Muffley, Edward Brown, and Edwin Lease.

The officers are Robert Rupert, president; Nick Fostar, vice president; Santina Franzi, secretary; and Jane Piper, treasurer. Miss Hamilton is the faculty advisor.

During the 1936-37 term a



Broadcasters

group of seventh and eighth graders formed an organization which was called the B.T.B. Club or the Bell Township Broadcasters Club.

The purpose of this club was to give its members an opportunity to do some of the things it was either impossible or impractical to do in class but which many students like to do; namely, read stories, recite poems, give readings, present dramatizations, and sing songs.

Since the club required no dues, the need for some money with which to buy program materials was soon felt. So the Broadcasters did their first and only public broadcasting in 1937 in the form of a junior minstrel entitled "Jolly Juvenile Minstrels." The minstrel was a big success and everyone had such a good time preparing and presenting it that it was decided to make the organization a permanent one.



## *Privates, First Class*

### PRIVATES, FIRST CLASS



AT the beginning of the school term of 1935-36 the class of '39 assembled in the auditorium with their other classmates "to be". When they had been assigned to their home rooms, it was

discovered that they had the largest class, ninety-seven in all, to enter Bell Township High School.

The vocational class was assigned to Mr. Bruce's room; the academic to Miss Snively's room.

They were very anxious to get organized so they had a class meeting at which they elected Freda Gerheim, president; Philip Macri, vice president; Pearl Polechko, secretary; and Walter Dydiw, treasurer.

On the first day of May they held a class party at which they acted as grown-ups for the first time.

They held a magazine campaign which turned out to be a terrific success. From the profits of this campaign they purchased a basketball which they presented to the athletic association. They were a very lively group so they bought mushballs and bats in order that they might use all their excess energy in outdoor sports instead of in the classroom.

They were represented on the Bell Echo staff by Freda Gerheim, the freshman class news

reporter, and Walter Dydiw, feature editor.

Under the leadership of a very capable captain, six members of the freshman class were trained to be efficient patrolmen; Carl Grantz, Sherman Frey, Carl Kuhns, Zoltcn Adams, James Turkovich, and James Trinlisti.

The class elected Freda Gerheim and Elmer Moore as Student Council members. At the Student Council meeting, Freda was elected secretary.

In this year a new dramatic club was organized. Those members of the freshman class who were interested in it and joined it were Betty Clawson, Mildred Townsend, Freda Gerheim, and Sherman Frey.

The freshman class was well represented in almost all the activities of the high school.

On the baseball team were Edward Kempka, the "hard throwing" pitcher, and Dominic Palmiscno, his catcher; and Carl Grantz and Robert McWilliams, the ever-ready managers.

On the gridiron the class was represented by Francis Reed, Elmer Moore, Steve Kuzman, and Dominick Palmiscno.

In the first operetta to be presented at Bell Township many members of the class of '39 took part. Philip Macri was the only one who had a speaking part on the cast; all the others who took part were

in either the chorus or dances.

Those in the chorus were Betty Clawson, Helen Filler, Mathilda Moglia, Louise Walters, Magdelene Culig, Sara Clark, Pearl Polechko, Helen Clawson, Betty Gray, Virginia Povlak, Mildred Townsend, Francis Reed, Lester Shaffer.

Freda Gerheim was the only member of the class who was in the tap dancing chorus.

Irad Wensel and William Schrecengost displayed their ability in the Indian dance.

In the victory, Irish, and air de ballet dances there were Pearl Polechko, Helen Filler, Elizabeth Sabo, Sara Clark, Ada Garris and Freda Gerheim.

During the summer members of the class were shocked and saddened by news of the death of their classmate, John Grysiak. Although shy and retiring John was an energetic student and a good school citizen.

"How can I cease to pray for thee?  
Somewhere in God's great universe thou art today.  
Can He not reach thee with His tender care?  
Can He not hear me when for thee I pray?"

Mrs. J. C. R. Dorr.

On August 31, 1936 they again assembled in the auditorium and having heard addresses by Mr. Willard and Mr. Gerheim, they were assigned to their home-rooms. Because they had such a large class, they were divided

into three different rooms. The academic class was assigned to Miss Whitesell's room; the vocational boys under the supervision of Mr. Mack; and the vocational girls occupied Miss Snively's room along with the academic class.

The classes reorganized and elected Elmer Moore, president; Bruce Pierce, vice president; Louise Walters, secretary; and Francis Reed, treasurer.

On December 23, 1936 the sophomore class held a Christmas party and everyone had a delightful time.

Because their magazine campaign they held the previous year was so successful, they decided to hold another one, which did not prove to be such a success.

The Bell Echo staff was greatly indebted to the sophomore class who gave its talent through Freda Gerheim, feature editor; Philip Macri and Walter Dydiw, assistant business and circulation managers; Carl Grantz, typist; and Bruce Pierce, sophomore class reporter.

Freda Gerheim and Betty Gray were sophomore representatives to the Student Council.

After having one year of training in the student patrol, Carl Kuhns, Carl Grantz, and Sherman Frey assumed their same duties along with other of their class members, Irad Wensel, Paul Seben, Darwin Smith, and Albert Mitchell.

The Home Economics Club under the direction of Miss Fennell, consisted largely of sophomores. Marjorie Sowash, the president, was aided by some of her class members along with under and upper classmen. Those from her class were Helen Skoczypiec, Frances Miller, Ida Testa, Louise Slack, Nettie Safchuk, Helen Filler, Betty Gray, Beryl Bell, Ada Garris, Dorothy Remaley, and Sara Clark.

Because no freshman can belong to the Future Farmers of America association, this class now had five of its members join it. They were Elmer Moore, Darwin Smith, Francis Reed, Albert Mitchell, William Ripple, Carl Grantz, and Irad Wensel, whom they elected secretary.

Barbara Suseck, Helen Skoczypiec, Mildred Townsend, Mathilda Moglia, Sara Clark, Betty Gray, Philip Macri, William Kamperin, Helen Filler, and Betty Clawson were members of the Glee Club.

The sophomores displayed their football ability by having several members of the class on the squad. They were Francis Reed, Edward Kempka, Lester Shaffer, Elmer Moore, Steve Kuzman, Dominick Palmiscno, William Ripple, Joseph Marchitelli. Robert McWilliams was their manager.

On the basketball floor the sophomores had Donald Lenz, Francis Reed, and Robert Mc-

Williams, with Carl Grantz, their manager.

The class saw that they had future baseball stars in their midst, who were Edward Kempka, Dominick Palmiscno, Lester Shaffer, and their very efficient manager (who will probably be a "star" manager someday) Robert McWilliams.

In the operetta "Ask the Professor" several members of the sophomore class took part. Those who sang in the chorus were Betty Clawson, Helen Clawson, Sara Clark, Betty Gray, Mathilda Moglia, Elizabeth Sabo, Barbara Suseck, Helen Skoczypiec, Mildred Townsend, Philip Beveridge, Carl Grantz, William Guthrie, William Kamperin, Elmer Moore, Philip Macri, Francis Reed, and William Schrecengost. Those who couldn't resist the music and showed their dancing ability were Freda Gerheim, Philip Macri, Francis Reed, Ida Uptegraph, Ada Garris, Marjorie Sowash, Helen Filler, Barbara Suseck, Elizabeth Sabo, Betty James, and Louise Walters.

Those students who left during the sophomore year were Mike Rodnicki, Charles Grysiak, Virginia Povlak, Eva Loaski, Catherine Lawrence, Magdalene Culig, and Pearl Polechko. The class was very sorry to see these members leave them.

The class closed their sopho-

more year by having a weiner roast in May to which they invited the junior class.

They returned in the 1937-38 school term as "Jolly Juniors." The vocational class reported to Mr. Jacobs' room; the academic to Miss Alcorn's. Out of seventy-two sophomores only sixty-three returned to enroll as juniors.

Those who didn't return were Betty James, Elizabeth Sabo, Donald Kuhns, Darwin Smith, and Sara Clark. Three of those who came back but left shortly were Mildred Townsend, Frances Jakubaski, and Daniel Fenili. The new ones who started were Harry Maust and Floyd True.

The members of the junior class, front row, reading right to left, are Zolton Adams, Beryl Bell, Steele Bell, Philip Beveridge, Theodore Bohichick, Edward Boyd, Betty Clawson, and Helen Clawson.

Second row — Merle Crawford, Blair Deemer, Ada Garris, Freda Gerheim, Carl Grantz, Betty Gray, William Guthrie, Helen Hutki, and William Kampeneine.

Third row—Edward Kempka, Martin Korchok, Carl Kuhns Steve Kuzman, Donald Lenz, Philip Macri, Joseph Marchitelli, Harry Maust, Roy McCormick, and Kenneth McHenry.

Fourth row — Robert McWilliams, Rose Malami, Frances Miller, Albert Mitchell, Matthilda Moglia, Elmer Moore, Dominick Palmiscno, Bruce Pierce, Francis Reed, Dorothy Remaley, and William Ripple.

Fifth row — Samuel Scalise, William Schrecengost, Paul Seben, Steve Semon, Lester Shaffer, Helen Skoczypiec, Louise Slack, Lee Vergia Smith, Barbara Suseck, Ida Testa, and Floyd True.

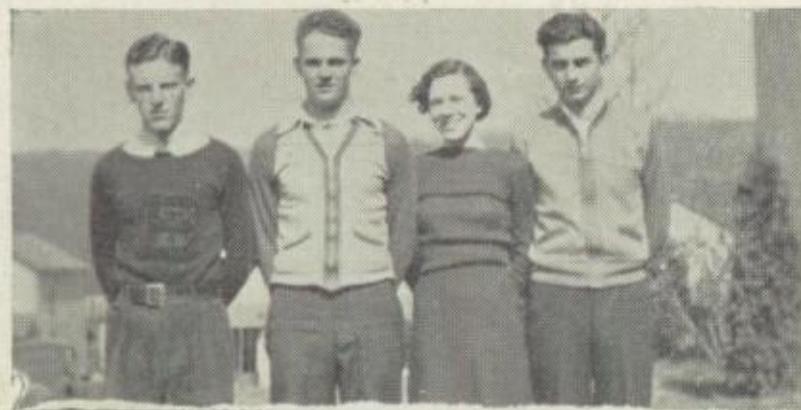


Junior Class

## *Privates, First Class*

Sixth row—James Turkovich, Ida Uptegraph, Louise Walters, Irad Wensel, Pete Zanovich, and Eugene Zukas.

The class, very much enthused over being allowed to attend the junior-senior banquet and other privileges, elected its officers who would take the responsibility of getting the plans underway.



They were Elmer Moore, president; Francis Reed, vice president; Freda Gerheim, secretary; and Philip Macri, treasurer.

Before half day sessions of school began the junior class sold candy at lunch time, also at basketball and football games.

When football season opened, it was discovered that twelve members of the junior class attempted to make the team. Those who made the first team were Francis Reed, who was elected captain the previous year and who played quarter back until it became necessary for him to take the position of left end when Lester Shaffer had his collar bone broken in the Ken Hi-Bell Township game; Elmer Moore "hard hitting" center; Dominick Palmiscno, that small but furious left guard; Edward Kempka, the left halfback, who

seemed to have winged feet when he got hold of the ball; and Steve Kuzman, that hard blocking back.

The others who were on the football squad were William Ripple, Carl Grantz, Martin Korchok, Blair Deemer, Joseph Marchitelli, and Irad Wensel. Sherman Frey was their manager.

On the basketball squad Francis Reed, Lester Shaffer, Elmer Moore, Edward Kempka, William Ripple, Donald Lenz, and Dcminick Palmiscno were "ready, willing, and able." Francis Reed was the only one on the varsity team from the junior class.

After belonging to the Student Patrol for one year, Irad Wensel was elected captain of it. Under him were Sherman Frey and Albert Mitchell who were "really" good at keeping order in the halls.

In one of their meetings the junior class decided to hold another magazine campaign. The class was divided into two sides; the academic class was the Klondikers and the vocational class the Forty-Niners. The Forty-Niners headed the campaign with \$6.38; the academic following with \$5.25. There was over a fifty percent (50%) decrease in commission from last year's campaign, from which they earned \$27.05 for their class.

Bruce Pierce and Freda Gerheim were captains of the Klondikers; Francis Reed was the captain of the Forty-Niners.

The junior class presented the play "No Women Wanted" which was directed by Miss Brookhart.

It had all the thrills of unrequited love, jealousy, and danger.

When a plane carrying three Broadway actresses and a curator of snakes, crashed during a thunder storm, they were rescued by three woodsmen and taken into their cabin on a north island. Angus MacDougal, acted by Blair Deemer, was very much embarrassed when the girls arrived because he was preparing to retire.

Soon, the girls found that they could not possibly get away for several weeks.

Lolita de la Fuente, the Spanish dancer, portrayed by Helen Filler, turned out to be the fiancee of Jimmy Anthony, played by Robert McWilliams. She becomes very jealous when he becomes attracted to Mary Jones, enacted by Ada Garris. To prevent Jimmy from becoming too interested in Mary, Lolly released a rattle-snake belonging to Patricia Jones, (Louise Walters) into the wood box to harm Mary. Instead of Mary getting bitten by the snake, Jimmy did. Mary dived for the serum, which was in the plane under twenty-

five feet of water, to save Jimmy's life. Then, Lolita confessed that she had released the snake.

Gus, the Scandinavian fisherman, played by Albert Mitchell, returned to the island to take the girls to Chicago.

Valeria Valencourt, acted by Freda Gerheim, with her wisecracks and saucy remarks won Angus' silent admiration.

When it came time for Valeria to leave the island, Angus and she discovered that they were in love. In the meantime Jimmy succeeded in persuading Mary that she was the one and only for him. Pat was disgusted with the whole affair; Lolita learned that men cannot be won with flashing feet and the whirring of castanets. Allard Anthony, (Jimmy's serious father) played by Bruce Pierce, was at last happy because his son had found his one and only.

The proceeds were used to help finance the junior-senior banquet.

Other methods for raising money were Bingo parties which were held in the Salina Hall and a roller skating party to which the entire high school was invited.

The class of '39 found that their junior year had been full of excitement and adventure and hoped that their senior year would be the same.

## *Doughboys*

### DOUGHBOYS



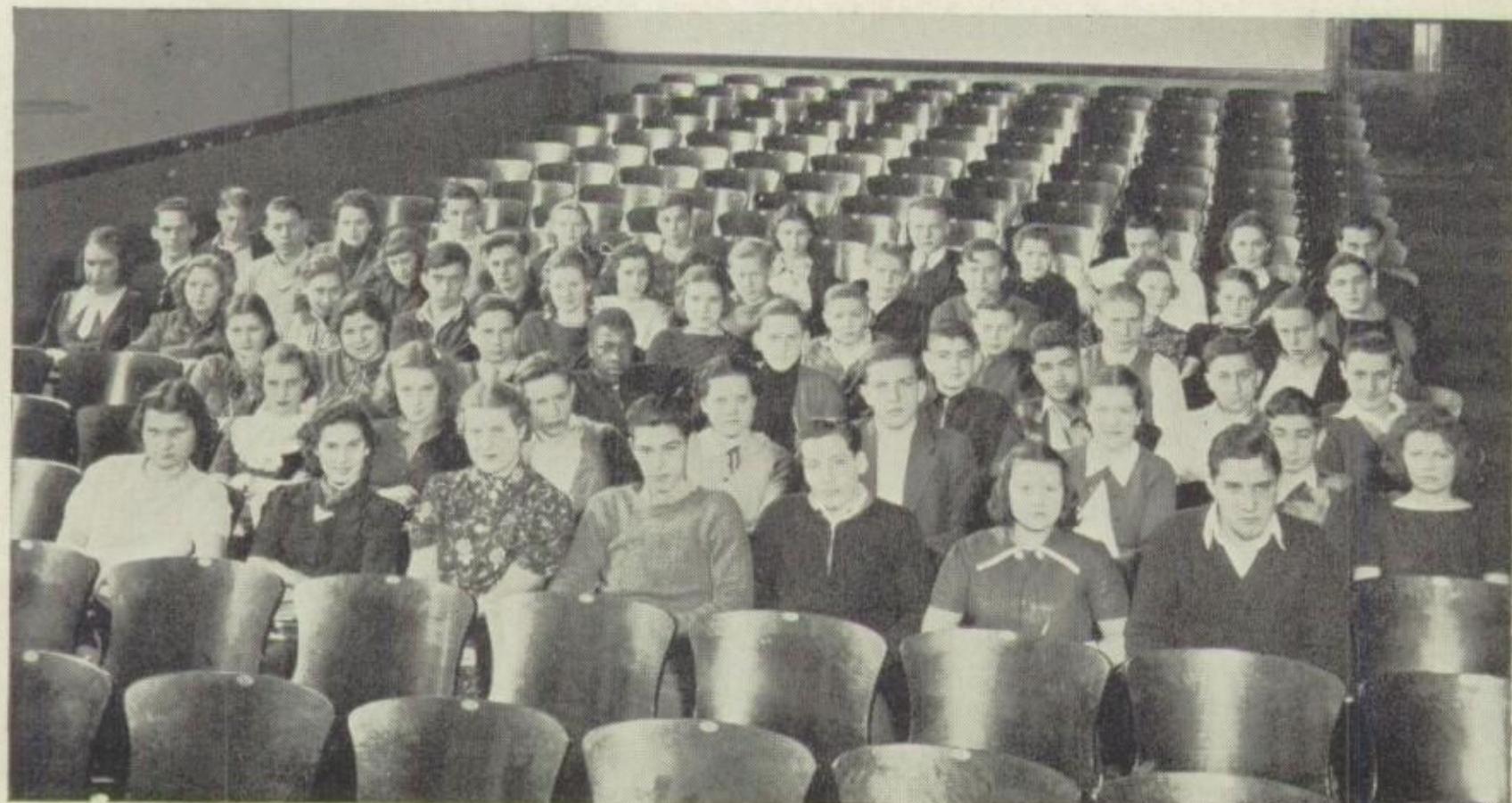
AT THE beginning of the 1936-37 school year thirty freshmen came from Bell Township, ten from Kiskiminetas, thirteen from Loyalhanna, ten from Salem, and one from Avonmore.

Here they are seated in alphabetical order, beginning at the right of the front row. Charles Almes, Marian Ashbaugh, Charles Barclay, Robert Borgo, Laura Bortz, Marjorie Bowman, Gertrude Bukoski; second row, Velma Bussard, William Cardaro, Betty Carnahan, Robert Carnahan, Katherine Chicola, Albert Culig, Pauline Deemer, and Wilma Detman; third row, Paul Dovyak, Paul Dunmire, Frank Franchi, Joe Franchi, Robert Franko, Herman Grant, Leo Guthrie, Mary Hall, and Irene Harkleroad; fourth row, Lloyd

Hensel, Gerald Hinchman, George Kapusta, Adolph Kurant, Edith Lease, Mary Machulsky, Gerald May, Mary McBryar, Ruth McComb, and Veda McMunn; fifth row, Paul Merich, Gladys Muffle, Thelma Neighley, Louis Novak, Thomas Papuga, Anthony Pavlovich, Kathryn Pendlyshok, Glenn Pierce, Catherine Posney, Arthur Prusack, and Marlin Riffer; sixth row, Natalie Rcmeo, Ida Sabo, William Sada, Betty Jean Shaffer, Clifton Shaffer, Luby Suchek, Steve Tandovic, Olive True, Steve Ukish, Dorothy Walters, and Robert Weiss. Carie Richey and Kathryn Shank were absent from the picture.

Since the group was so large it had to be divided so the vocational students reported to Miss Brookhart and the academics to Miss Snively.

As soon as the members got acquainted they met and elected



Sophomore Class

a corps of officers, and were soon ready to put money in the class treasury. Their first venture was to sponsor a presentation of the "Kadians," radio artists from KDKA, in a personal appearance.

"Frank Dudgeon," another radio performer was brought to Bell Twp. by the class and both ventures were financial successes.

Robert Borgo and Paul Dumire represented the class on the Student Council, Irene Harkleroad and Betty Carnahan on the "Bell Echo" Staff, Mike Skurja and Paul Merich on the "gridiron," and Frank Havaran on the baseball diamond.

An enjoyable Christmas party was held in Miss Snively's room.

Members of the class had various roles in the operetta, "Ask the Professor."

When the class returned as sophomores in the fall of '37, Frank Havaran, Mike Skurja, Mary Sallade, Tony California, Nick Novosel, William Wensel, and Nick Gularski had left the ranks to transfer to other schools or go to work. Early in the year Effie Luciw also left.

The class were glad to welcome Betty Jean Shaffer, Kathryn Posney, and Robert Carnahan as new members.

Mr. Mangery was given charge over the vocational group and Miss Whitesell the academic.

A class party was held on

November first, at which most of the members were present.

The year was started with high aims and much ambition but because of the half day sessions little time was left for fulfilling them.



The class officers, did their best under the handicap.

Several sophomores took part in the freshmen—sophomore play, "Elmer"; and most of the class were good ticket salesmen. The class was also well represented in the minstrel.

Betty Carnahan, Betty Jean Shaffer, and Olive True were active on the basketball court, as were Paul Merich and Charles Almes on the football field. Paul, as well as William Cardaro and Frank Franchi, played baseball.

Mary McBryar and Irene Harkleroad were again "Bell Echo" workers.

The class were given the privilege of ordering their class rings, and, as an extra incentive, were given bracelets and belt buckles.

Since this year was not a financial success, the class must start their junior year with more than the usual amount of ideas.

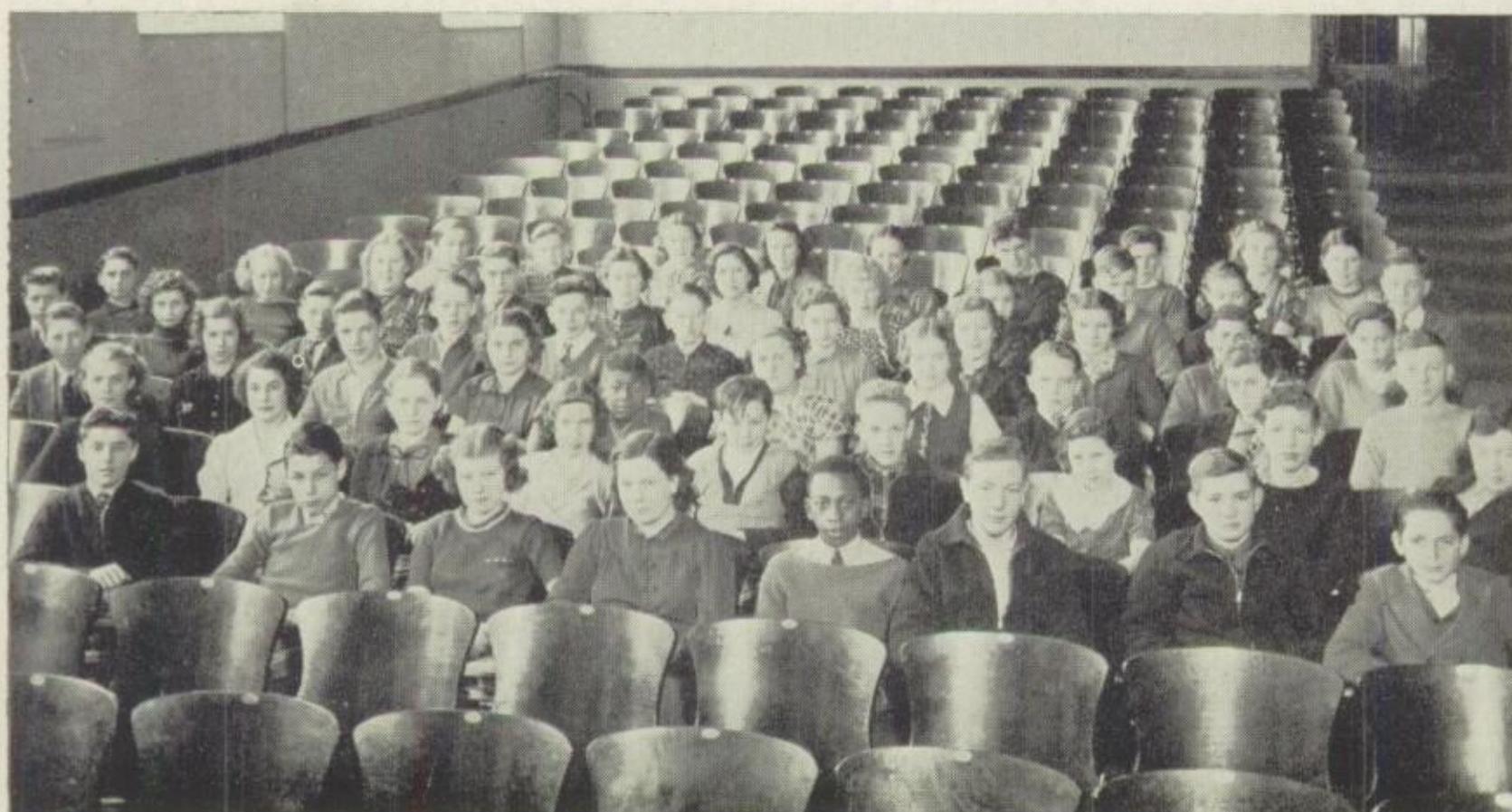
## ROOKIES



SIXTY-SEVEN green freshies answered to the roll call on August 30, 1937 at Bell Township High School of which eleven were from Salem Township, thirteen from Loyalhanna Township, nine from Kiskiminetas Township, and thirty-four from Bell Township. Pearl Malloy and John Moglia are the only two who have left the freshman class during the year.

The order in which they appear in the class picture, from right to left, are as follows: first row—Andy Adams, Robert Almes, Franklin Bee, Charles Bell, Melissa Bell, Margaret Beveridge, Joseph Borgo, Donald Brewer; second row—Raymond Campbell, Leitzel Deemer, Effiema Durmire, Melvin Ewing, William Filler, Betty Ger-

heim, Eleanore Gross, Stella Hall, Margie Hicks; third row—Veryl Hicks, Gladys Johnston, Boydston Keller, Dolores Kralik, Luby Latina, Leonard Lawrence, Elaine Lease, Joseph Lesko, Betty Maust, Robert McCullough; fourth row—Lloyd McMberger, August Palmiscno, Eva Pendlyshok, Anna Petrosky, Sophia Petrune, William Piper, Patrick Posney, Fred Prusack, Andrew Raspberger, Virginia Rearick, Edward Repasky; fifth row — Charles Resnick, Berniece Richards, Cecil Richards, Elizabeth Rice, Genevieve Riggle, Teresa Rossi, Mary Sofko, John Sheleheda, Inez Shoupe, Galia Sparber, Ethel Staymates; sixth row—Florence Steele, Lena Townsend, Frank Trincli, Lewis Trincli, Clorinda Vantony, Mary Vnuk, Joan Whitesell, Thomas Whitesell, and Joseph Zukas. Those who do not appear in the class picture



Freshman Class

are Clyde Bortz, Marjorie Carnahan, Leonard Delfavero, Nellie Guido, Carl Hensel, Rose Lamana, and Alfaretta Moore.

When the present freshman class enrolled in seventh grade they immediately started things off with a bang. Under the direction of Miss Hamilton, their home room teacher, and with the help of the eighth grade students, they presented a "Halloween Jamboree" in October, 1936. The profits coming from this occasion supplied a sufficient amount of money for them to buy a radio which they proudly presented to the school.

Time passed swiftly and they were soon in eighth grade. Although there were long hours, days, and months of hard work ahead of them, they planned a Halloween Luncheon.

At Christmas time gifts were exchanged among the students. Then to Miss Stewart's surprise, their home room teacher, she was given a beautiful beaded purse by the eighth grade.

During the summer of 1937, Margaret Mack moved away; thus they lost a classmate.

Steadily these little troopers marched on and finally marched right into the freshman year. Miss Snively had charge of seventeen boys, and the sixteen girls of the academic group. She also had all the vocational girls, making the total number in her room forty-nine. This section elected Thomas Whitesell, presi-

dent; Leitzel Decmer, vice president; Joan Whitesell secretary; and Marjorie Carnahan as the capable treasurer. Alfaretta Moore represented this group at the Student Council meetings. Mr. Smith had charge of the sixteen vocational boys. This group preferred Robert Almes, president; Franklin Bee, vice-president; Patrick Posney, doing a double duty of secretary-treasurer; and August Palmiscno, the Student Council representative.

The meetings of the whole class were usually held every Tuesday during the time from eleven-thirty to twelve o'clock. At their first meeting they elected the following to help make their class more successful. President, Robert Almes; vice-president, Lewis Trinlisti; secretary-treasurer, Dolores Kralik; and the assistant secretary-treasurer, Franklin Bee.



Class Officers

To begin their high school career, the old members gave a "Get Acquainted Party" for the new members who came to the class from Loyalhanna, Salem, and Kiskiminetas Townships. It was held on the high school grounds and began at eight

o'clock. However, some were there at six-thirty and were having a wonderful time when Miss Snively arrived at seven-thirty. A bonfire was built, games were played, and for refreshments they served ice cream, cake, and cool ade. Everyone had a grand time and many of the acquaintances turned out to be everlasting friendships and some even blossomed into romances.

The class began another project which was selling magazines. It was a contest of which the vocationals, called the Forty Niners, were on one side and the academics, or Klondikers, were on the other. The contest was a lot of fun with students running from door to door, trying to induce the people that their magazines were very interesting and worth their while to buy. On March 15, 1938 it ended and was considered a great success with the Klondikers selling the most magazines but the Forty Niners having thirty cents more money. This was because the class received a higher commission on some than they received on

others. The class commission totaled fourteen dollars. As a result of this campaign, they held a party in the high school auditorium.

In athletics the freshman class as a whole was quite active. In basketball, Alfaretta Moore played her position as guard very well. Betty Gerheim and Galia Sparber substituted as forwards. These three veterans will be back next year to help their dear old Alma Mater on to victory.

Although the boys were not out for the high school varsity, some played in the inter-class games. They were Frank Trincli, Patrick Posney, Melvin Ewing, Veryl Hicks, Thomas Whitesell, Leitzel Deemer, Raymond Campbell, Franklin Bee, and August Palmiscno.

On the gridiron several freshmen displayed their ability, namely; Lewis Trincli, Joe Lesko, Veryl Hicks, and Franklin Bee. Although they substituted during the past season we will expect much more of them in the next few years.

## CADETS



THE incoming class of '42 came to school on August 30th with the idea of putting this year over "with a bang" so that they might be called freshmen next year.

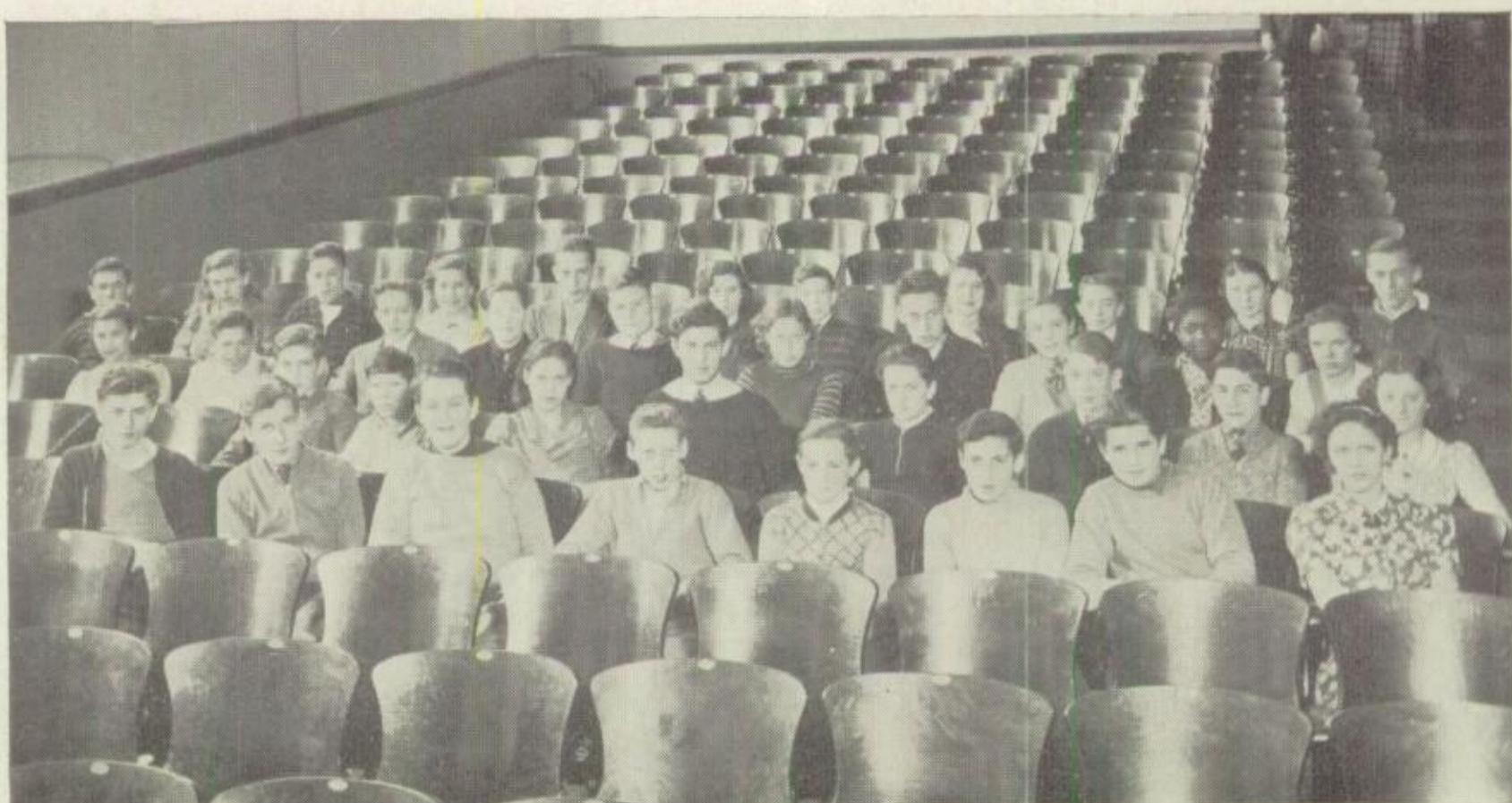
After Mr. Gerheim had assigned the home rooms, the eighth grade discovered that they were to occupy room number one and would have as their home room teacher, Miss Mary Christy Stewart.

It was found that there were forty-three in the class. In the picture above, the class was seated alphabetically beginning in the front row, running from right to left, Virginia Aikens, Richard Almes, Joe Bellon, Milan Bellon, Clair Caldwell, Charles Clawson, Jr., Lewis Clawson, Walter Culig; second row—Helen Deemer, Charles Eckenrode, Blair

Fennell, Harry Flick, Pat Franzi, Merian Frey, Clair Garris, Robert Gartley; thire row—Mary Guthrie, Frances Harris, Gertude Hoffman, Elden King, Gloria King, Charles Kocka, James Mann, Edwin McDivitt, Frank Malami, Jennie Malami; fourth row—Joe Novosel, Gertude Rumbaugh, Robert Rupert, Alta Schroder, Kay Swartzendruber, Alma Jane Shaner, Robert Shondelmyer, Vera Mae Shoupe, Geno Sottariva, Jean Tickle, and Ugo Villani.

Those who were absent when the picture was taken were: Agatina Mantarro, Rose Scalise, Plummer Shearer, Jr., Frank Franzi, Santina Franzi, and Nancy Kuhns.

At the first of the year the members of the eighth grade were sorry to see that six of the people, which were with them in seventh grade, were no longer in their class. They were Ruth



8th Grade

Hoak, Betty Mack, Anna Soskey, Cecil Ashbaugh, Phyllis Edder, and Tony Povalak.

They were also glad to gain six new members, Virginia Aikens Merian Frey, Elden King, Gloria King, William Long, and Gertrude Rumbaugh.

Several weeks after school began the class had their first meeting and elected some very capable officers: president, Alta Schroder; vice-president, Edwin Schroder; vice-president, Charles Clawson, Jr., secretary, Gertrude Hoffman; treasurer, Edwin McDivitt; librarians, Robert Rupert and Charles Clawson, Jr.

While in seventh grade this class was very active. They had several parties, sold candy, bought a microphone, presented their home room teacher, Miss Hamilton, with a Christmas gift and sent gifts to class members who were ill. Also, several girls and one boy took part in the operatta, "Ask The Professor."

This year the class has sold candy at some of the plays but aside from that they have done nothing more in the way of making money.

Lewis Clawson, Gertrude Hoffman, Vera Mae Shoupe, Robert Rupert, Gertrude Rumbaugh, Alma Jane Shaner, Charles Clawson, Jr., Harry Flick, Richard Almes, Merian Frey, Gloria King, Alta Schroder along with five seventh graders presented one of the three one-act plays entitled "Her Blessed Boy" which was

held in the high school auditorium.

A very successful Hallowe'en party was held in Miss Stewart's room during Hallowe'en season. An enjoyable time was had by all, especially when they served the cider, pretzels, and ginger cookies. They played games, one where a boy fed a girl water from a spoon, and before it ended everyone was baptized.

At Christmas time the class presented to Miss Stewart two beautiful pictures, made possible by each member of the class con-



tributing five cents for that cause, and also exchanged presents among the students.

The eighth grade representative on the Student Council was Robert Rupert; Alta Schroder was a Bell Echo staff member. James Mann, Charles Kocka, Robert Rupert, Charles Eckenrode, and Richard Almes served faithfully on the Student Patrol. Sixteen members of the eighth grade helped to make up the Current Events Club.

Near the end of the year the class lost two of their members, Virginia Aikens and William Long, thus leaving forty-two persons to enter next year as freshmen.

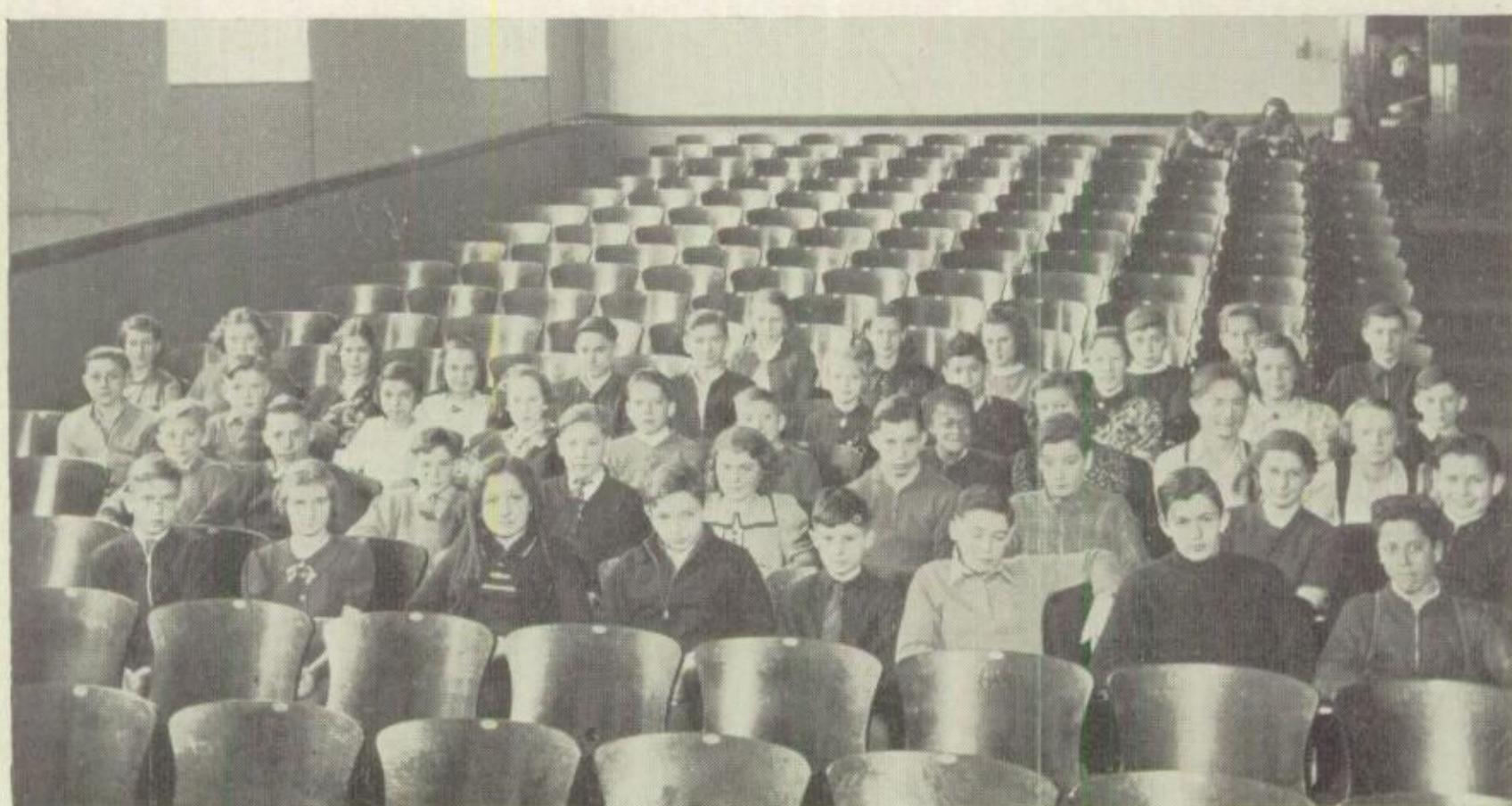
### PLEBES



THE Seventh Grade class roll is as follows; in the picture, reading from right to left: Front row—Emilio Abate, William Aikens, Richard Barker, William Bateman, Edward Brown, Elsie Cavazza, Alberta Detman, and McKay Edder. Second row—Nick Fostar, Mary Fuchofer Louis Gacik, Joseph Gallo, Dorothy Jean George, George Gerben, Philip Gerheim, Millard Goodrich, and Robert Hick. Third row—Bernice Hinchman Sophie Karaffa, Williebelle Knight, Elvin Lease, John Lesko, Betty McCracken, Mary Lucille McCullough, Denny Moore, and Charles Muffley. Fourth row—Richard Nelson, Mary Novosel, Mary Palmer, Louis Palmiscino, Jane Piper, Joseph Sabo, Anthony Sciotti, Hazel Shondel-

myer, Audry Shoupe, Marion Shoupe, and Betty Simpson. Fifth row—Stephen Slosarik, Kenneth Stiffy, Fred Tickle, Anna Vnuk, Elizabeth Wiehe, and Catherine Wingrove. Absent from the picture is William Watkins. Since the picture was taken William Aikens has left school.

Some of the seventh graders are noted for their outstanding abilities in various activities. Dick Barker and "Twitter" Goodrich are noted for their basketball abilities, and for their interest in sports. "Magee" Edder is noted for his musical ability and also because the guitar he plays is as big as he isn't. Richard Nelson and Philip Gerheim are recognized because of their notable performance as "Charley" and "Howdy" in "Her Blessed Boy," the two boys who tried to piece together a non-existent jig-saw puzzle. William Aikens was the



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tallest in the class, "was" because he has left school. Sophie Karaffa, on pinch-hitting for Audrey Shoupe as the "sickly girl", earns a place in this line-up of the outstanding seventh graders Elsie Cavazza, because of her portrayal of elderly Aunt Virginia in "Her Blessed Boy", also gets a place in this roll.

The seventh grade home room is number two and is under the supervision of Miss Hamilton.



The class officers are as follows: Nick Fostar, as president; Stephen Slosarik, vice president; Elsie Cavazza, as secretary; and "Dickie" Nelson, as treasurer. The class meets once a month on the first Thursday and they conduct their meetings like veterans. They are represented on Student Council by "Billy" Bateman, and help keep order in the halls through Patrolmen Denny Moore, "Twitter" Goodrich, "Billy" Watkins, and "Steve" Slosarik.

The class is very active and under the supervision of Miss Snively and Miss Hamilton have conducted various classroom projects in art and history.

Under Miss Snively's supervision they have tried soap sculpture and were fairly successful.

Some of the "sculptors" tried anything from elephants to Julius Caesar, they started on a fish and the soap turned into a donkey (sometimes). In their history class they furthered their knowledge of Middle Age architecture and customs by constructing castles, plus all the necessary accoutrements, out of mailing tube and odd and ends of paper and cellophane.

On the 21st of October the seventh grade held a Hallowe'en Party in Miss Stewart's room. They drank "apple jack" and "et lotsa stuff" as we're informed by several of them. The "apple jack" was "squeezed" by McKay Edder, Nick Fostar, and "Dickie" Nelson under the "strict" supervision of a senoir, who sampled it "once in a while." At this party Elvin Lease "stole the show" with his "chorus girl" outfit, when he won the price for the "best-dressed girl." Nick Fostar in his cowboy outfit was the brightest one there; he wore a white Stetson and a gold shirt with a bright red bandanna.

To make money the class sold candy and helped produce "Her Blessed Boy", which was one of the years best plays. The money from this play went to finance the Bee Tee Vie, while the "candy money" went into the class treasury.

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